

**2003 REPORT TO CONGRESS
* DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ON
PROJECT 112 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
VETERANS AFFAIRS**

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Public Law 107-314 requires the Department of Defense (DoD) to investigate and provide to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) medically relevant information concerning occupational exposures servicemembers may have received while participating in Projects 112 and Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD). The law requires that DOD submit an investigation plan within ninety days of enactment and two progress reports, one six months after enactment and one upon completion of all activities contemplated by the investigation plan, but not later than one year after enactment. This is the second progress report required by section 709(e) of Public Law 107-314 and documents the completion of all activities contemplated by the investigation plan submitted pursuant to sections 709(a) and (b) of the same law.

The required investigation plan was submitted to Congress on March 20, 2003, although the DoD had begun working with the VA on this effort in August 2000. Because significant progress had already been made when Public Law 107-314 was enacted, the submitted plan was a summary of past investigative strategy, an outline of the remaining effort and a progress report of activities to date. In addition to listing the enormous number of documents the team had located and reviewed to that point, the progress report provided the remaining required information through examples of the web-based information products and tools that had been developed by the investigative team. At the time of the March 23, 2003, progress report, the investigative team could document that, of the 134 tests the Deseret Test Center is known to have planned between 1962 and 1973, at least 62 were cancelled and 46 were conducted. The execution status of the remaining 26 planned tests was not known.

This report is a comprehensive report. Over the past 34 months, the investigative team has located and reviewed over 28,000 pages of potentially relevant information. A list of all documents reviewed is included in this report. Of the 134 planned tests, 50 tests were conducted and 84 tests were cancelled. The medically relevant information for each conducted test has been declassified, provided to the VA, and summarized in a fact sheet. For those tests conducted in phases, a fact sheet has been prepared for each phase, making a total of 56 fact sheets. The fact sheets are publicly available on our web site and are included in this report. Twenty of the tests that the investigative team determined had been cancelled each required some explanation for that conclusion; those explanations are also available on our web site. For all ship-based tests with possible occupational exposures, crew rosters have been compiled and provided to the VA. For those land-based tests for which participating personnel information has been located, that information has also been passed to the VA. As of this report, a total of 5842 individual servicemembers have been identified as having participated in one or more of the Project 112 tests. A test-by-test count is included in this report.

Because the DoD investigation has found classified documents that identify the Deseret Test Center's planned, conducted and cancelled operational chemical and biological warfare tests during its existence from 1962 to 1973 and has provided the medically relevant information to the VA, the DoD has completed its contemplated actions under sections 709(a), (b) and (e) of Public Law 107-314. However, the Deployment Health Support Directorate within the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) will continue to respond to the questions, comments and concerns of veterans, Congress and the American public about the Deseret Test Center's activities

and will investigate any new information which may be presented. If that activity leads to any changes or additions to the information on Deseret Test Center activities, DoD will inform the VA, and appropriately modify the Deployment Health Support Directorate's SHAD/ Project 112/Deseret Test Center web site to inform the public.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ON PROJECT 112

This report is submitted pursuant to section 709(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003, Public Law 107-314 and documents completion of Department of Defense activities contemplated by the investigation plan submitted pursuant to sections 709(a) and (b) of the same law. This law called for submission by the Department of Defense (DoD) to Congress and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs (VA) of a comprehensive plan for the review, declassification, and submittal to VA of all DoD information on Project 112 relevant to the provision of VA benefits to Project 112 participants, and then for a six-month progress report and final report upon completion of all activities contemplated by the comprehensive plan. The statute defines Project 112 as the chemical and biological weapons vulnerability testing program conducted by the Deseret Test Center from 1963 to 1969, including the Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) project.

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

In 1961, Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara launched a wide-ranging assessment of how the Department of Defense (DoD) was organized and how the armed forces were structured and equipped to secure the nation. Of the approximately 150 sequentially numbered intensive studies undertaken, the 112th addressed chemical and biological warfare capabilities and defense.

Project 112 began during the early Cold War era when the United States faced a nuclear threat from both the Soviet Union and China. The Soviet Union was also suspected of having active chemical and biological warfare development programs. The United States considered chemical and biological warfare as an alternative to nuclear war. However, knowledge of nerve agent behavior in the field and operational decontamination in varying climates and terrain was limited. Despite extensive experimentation by the British and Japanese during World War II, reliable biological agent weaponization had not been achieved. The effects of biological weapons in varying climates and terrain were also largely unexplored. Because DoD's knowledge of chemical and biological warfare agent behavior was so limited, a testing program was begun.

The U.S. Army was directed to establish a test center that would be staffed and funded by all the Services and would coordinate a joint test program. The Army established the Deseret Test Center at Fort Douglas, Utah, in June 1962. That location allowed test center personnel to take advantage of facilities and personnel at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah, to support tests, which were expected to be conducted in the Pacific Ocean or on land in Alaska, Hawaii and the then-Panama Canal Zone. From 1962 to 1973, the Deseret Test Center conducted a series of operational chemical and biological warfare tests in support of Project 112. Project SHAD (Shipboard Hazard and Defense) was a subset of that program. Much of the chemical and biological warfare agent behavior information collected then remains valid today.

The Deseret Test Center's testing objectives and priorities were established at a series of more-or-less annual joint planning conferences attended by representatives of the Services and Joint and Combatant Commands. The Center's biological testing program was significantly curtailed

after President Nixon's November 25, 1969, renunciation of biological weapons and limitation of research to "techniques of immunization and measures of controlling and preventing the spread of disease." A week earlier, passage and signature of Public Law 91-121 had inserted the then-Department of Health, Education and Welfare into the approval process for all open-air tests involving actual chemical or biological agents. A year later, the Clean Air Act of 1970 formally established guidelines on the release of substances into the air. By mid-1971, the Deseret Test Center's funding had been severely curtailed and it closed in 1973.

INVESTIGATION TIMELINE

Beginning in late 1991 and continuing for approximately five years, the Department of the Army, as DoD executive agent for chemical and biological matters, received and responded to several Congressional inquiries on behalf of three possible Project SHAD veterans. In 1992, the Army confirmed the existence of the Project SHAD program and provided, in relation to these specific inquiries, vessels involved, test locations and substances used. In a 1994 response, unclassified or redacted documents were also provided. In 1997 and 1998, there was renewed Congressional, Department of Veterans Affairs and media interest in release of additional information on the testing program. In August 2000, VA Acting Secretary Gober asked DoD to provide information concerning the Project SHAD tests. At the time of the request, information on three tests – *Autumn Gold*, *Copper Head* and *Shady Grove* – was needed to satisfy pending claims, but additional Project SHAD tests were believed to have occurred.

In September 2000, responsibility for the investigation was assigned to the organization now known as the Deployment Health Support Directorate (DHSD). Weekly meetings between the DoD investigative team leader and VA's compensation and health benefits managers ensured that the DoD team was searching for the specific information that the VA needed. That information included the dates and locations of the tests, the vessels involved, lists of the chemical and biological agents, simulants, tracer materials and decontaminants documented to have been used in the tests and rosters of the personnel aboard the vessels.

Investigators received some initial documentation from the Dugway Proving Ground technical library and, once the investigation expanded beyond the first three tests, searched for more in the archives of the Dahlgren Naval Surface Warfare Center. The first major hurdle was the discovery that 'SHAD,' while a valid umbrella term, was not commonly used at the time of the testing and thus was not a helpful search term. Investigators had to identify individual test names and numbers and use those as search criteria. Even with that information, document searches proved to be more difficult than expected because some of the tests had more than one name and/or test number.

When the investigation was expanded beyond the first three tests, DoD decided veterans of individual tests should not have to wait for a full report of the investigation. Investigators were instructed to prepare fact sheets for delivery to the VA and publication as soon as they had compiled and declassified the necessary information. The *Autumn Gold*, *Copper Head* and *Shady Grove* fact sheets were provided to the VA on September 13, 2001, and posted to the

DHSD Web site, DeploymentLINK, to inform the public. The *Autumn Gold* and *Copper Head* tests both used biological simulants; *Shady Grove* used biological warfare agents.

In a joint DoD/VA press conference on January 31, 2002, the *Eager Belle I and II* and *Scarlet Sage* fact sheets were released and were posted to the DHSD Web site to inform the public. Biological simulants were used in all three tests.

The *Flower Drum I and II*, *Fearless Johnny*, *Purple Sage*, *DTC Test 68-50*, and *DTC Test 69-32* fact sheets were released on May 23, 2002. The fact sheets were posted to the DHSD Web site to inform the public. The *Flower Drum* series and *Fearless Johnny* used chemical warfare nerve agents. *Purple Sage* was a chemical simulant test. *DTC Test 68-50* used biological warfare agent and *DTC Test 69-32* used biological simulants.

By this point, the investigation indicated that both shipboard and land-based testing were planned by the Deseret Test Center. The DoD committed to obtaining and providing to VA all medically relevant information and names of servicemembers present during all tests known to have been planned and conducted by the Deseret Test Center from 1962-1973. Document searches had already expanded to Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and several sites in the Washington, D.C., area. Investigators developed an understanding of the role the Deseret Test Center played in the planning and execution of the tests. A major breakthrough came with the discovery of several Deseret semi-annual and annual progress reports, which allowed a better understanding of the universe of tests being investigated.

In July 2002, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs William Winkenwerder Jr., MD formed a task force committed to completing the search for documents and providing all medically relevant information to the VA by June 2003. To allow public oversight of the team's progress, a chart showing the current status of the investigation was posted to the DeploymentLINK Web site and continually updated. In late August 2002, the investigative team traveled to Dugway Proving Ground, Utah, where they located additional final test reports. The team also secured a complete set of annual planning conference reports, searched and retrieved relevant documents from paper archives, initiated actions to have fragile classified films copied to a more stable media, and interviewed several former Deseret Test Center scientists.

In October 2002, DoD published 33 fact sheets based on newly discovered material from the Dugway, Utah, trip. Personnel information was provided to the VA in advance of a series of activities to communicate with Congress and the public. Publication of the fact sheets and posting the information to the DeploymentLINK Web Site followed a series of briefings to members of Congress and state delegations, Congressional testimony, and a joint DoD/VA press briefing. Fact sheets published included: *Whistle Down*, *Night Train*, *Tall Timber*, *West Side I*, *Magic Sword*, *Big Tom*, *Sun Down*, *Devil Hole I*, *High Low*, *Elk Hunt I*, *Elk Hunt II*, *Pine Ridge*, *Devil Hole II*, *Swamp Oak I*, *Green Mist*, *West Side II*, *Half Note*, *Dew Point*, *Red Cloud*, *Watch Dog*, *Rapid Tan*, *DTC Test 68-53*, *DTC Test 69-10*, *DTC Test 69-12*, *DTC Test 69-14*, *DTC Test 69-31*, *DTC Test 69-75*, *DTC Test 70-73*, *Big Jack A*, *Big Jack B*, *Yellow Leaf*, *Red Oak I* and *Pin Point*. Of the 33 fact sheets, 16 detailed the use of simulants and 17 detailed the use of live chemical or biological agents in the tests.

In December 2002, DoD released one additional fact sheet, *Cliff Rose*, and corrected a previously released fact sheet, *High Low*, based on information provided by several veterans. The information was provided to the VA and posted to the Web Site, DeploymentLINK, to inform the public. The investigative team intensified its search into obscure references to determine the status of the remaining tests.

Final declassification of medically relevant information on eight tests in June 2003 completed the public release of information on all known planned Deseret Test Center chemical and biological operational tests from 1962 to 1973. Fact sheets for three shipboard tests included *Errand Boy*, *Folded Arrow* and *DTC Test 70-C*. Seven fact sheets for five land-based tests included *Blue Tango*, *DTC Test 70-11 Phase I subtest 3*, *DTC Test 70-11 Phase I subtest 4*, *DTC Test 70-74*, *DTC Test 73-30*, *DTC Test 74-10 Phase I* and *DTC Test 74-10 Phase II*. The fact sheets were provided to the VA and posted to the Web site. Two of the shipboard tests – *Errand Boy* and *Folded Arrow*, used biological warfare agent simulants; one test – *DTC Test 70-C* – monitored naturally occurring airborne particulates in a marine atmosphere to gather background data. Of the five land-based tests, two used nerve agent simulants and three used biological simulants. The team also provided updated information on two tests; *Big Tom* and *Half Note*, based on recently located information and provided detailed analyses to explain why 20 tests were presumed to have been canceled.

Table 1. Released Fact Sheets

| | New | Tests | Revised |
|--------------------|------------|--------------|----------------|
| September 13, 2001 | 3 | 3 | |
| January 31, 2002 | 3 | 2 | |
| May 23, 2002 | 6 | 5 | |
| October 9, 2002 | 28 | 27 | |
| October 31, 2002 | 5 | 4 | |
| December 31, 2002 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| June 30, 2003 | 10 | 8 | 2 |
| | 56 | 50 | 3 |

The rosters of personnel aboard participating vessels were extracted from the ships' muster rolls and deck logs archived at National Archives II in College Park, Maryland. Lists of military personnel who participated in land-based tests have been assembled from available test officers' logbooks, temporary duty orders, country clearance messages, overtime reports, letters of commendation, and similar documents.

Personnel rosters for tests *Autumn Gold*, *Copperhead* and *Shady Grove* were provided to the VA beginning in March 2001. By release of the October 2002 fact sheets, personnel rosters were being passed prior to fact sheet publication to facilitate the VA's address acquisition process. Over 8800 records have been passed to the VA, documenting the participation of 5,842 individuals in one or more of the 50 tests.

Table 2. Summary of Personnel Information Flow to the VA

| Date | No. of Records |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| March 2001 | 1535 |
| July 2001 | 288 |
| January 2002 | 1549 |
| February 2002 | 11 |
| May 2002 | 836 |
| June 2002 | 126 |
| July 2002 | 457 |
| September 2002 | 891 |
| October 2002 | 18 |
| December 2002 | 433 |
| January 2003 | 1275 |
| February 2003 | 1 |
| April 2003 | 7 |
| June 2003 | 1415 |
| | 8,842 records |
| | 5,842 individuals |

No military personnel data were located for the following land-based tests: *Whistle Down, Big Jack A, Big Jack B, Night Train, Sun Down, Devil Hole I, Swamp Oak I, West Side II, Pin Point, Dew Point, Red Cloud, Watch Dog, Rapid Tan, Cliff Rose, DTC Test 68-53, DTC Test 69-12, DTC Test 69-14, DTC Test 69-75, DTC Test 70-11, DTC Test 70-73, DTC Test 70-74 and DTC Test 74-10*. No personnel data were reported to the VA for the shipboard test *Flower Drum II* because the target vessel was unmanned. No personnel data were reported to the VA for the shipboard test *DTC Test 70-C* because this test only collected air samples of naturally occurring airborne particulates while traveling from San Diego to Panama. No agents or simulants were released.

The purpose of this investigation was to locate information concerning possible exposures to military personnel. During the course of its work, the investigative team did locate documentation substantiating the participation of approximately 350 government civilian employees and contractor personnel.

In its search for medically relevant information, the investigative team has contacted and/or visited every command and government research activity known to have been affiliated with the Deseret Test Center. In general, the type of records found were technical reports on tests plans and results. Such reports were and are classified for national security reasons because information on dissemination characteristics of, and operational countermeasures to, chemical and biological agents and simulants for those agents could be used by adversaries or terrorist organizations with chemical or biological weapons program ambitions. However, without compromising national security information, the identification of agents or simulants, tracers and decontaminants used in tests can be declassified and released in fact sheets to answer questions about veterans' exposures under Project 112. Fact sheets have been published, which meet the VA's criteria for the information needed to evaluate compensation claims and health care needs.

The DHSD will continue to cooperate with the VA should additional information be needed for the purposes of detailed epidemiological studies. Although we have conducted an exhaustive search for information pertinent to possible VA benefits for Project 112 veterans, we cannot agree that any degree of searching records archives of a long ago terminated program would result in complete current documentation of all aspects of the program. Nonetheless, we believe the evidence found produces an accurate total picture of the Deseret Test Center program. We know of no other investigative leads that would meaningfully supplement that picture. However, the DHSD will investigate any new information that may be presented and share any additional or changed information with the VA and the public.

In DoD's investigation, no test-specific medical records or classified medical records were found. Technical reports on tests did not include personally identifiable information on health effects of exposures. The purpose of the tests was not to measure health effects; the purpose was to assess dissemination characteristics and operational countermeasures. Confirming reports from some veterans that in some tests nasal swabs and gargle samples were taken, one test report records results from nasal swab and gargle samples of several individuals, but these results did not include personal identifiers that would tie the results to specific individuals or produce information for medical records. These samples taken from individuals were to test the comparative filtering effects of different types of gas masks. In relation to other tests, several references to possible health surveillance activities and protective measures were also found in technical reports of test plans or results, matters presumably documented, to the extent they actually occurred, in members' individual medical records. We found an indication that in the 11-year history of the Deseret Test Center program there were four infections and no deaths. We found no other information connecting this notation, which might involve Deseret Test Center laboratory workers, to any particular Project 112 test or tests. We found no personally identifiable information on illnesses or medical treatments.

Review of the operational test planning documents and final test report documents and discussions with several of the scientists who planned and conducted these tests have provided substantiation that whenever harmful chemical or biological warfare agents were used as test substances, personnel present were appropriately protected. Actual exposure to such agents would result in acute health effects. However, when chemical or biological simulants or tracer materials were used, there were no efforts made to protect personnel because those substances were not believed to be harmful. For the shipboard operational testing, we have reviewed the ships' deck logs and have not found any indication of acute medical problems (deaths, medical evacuations, or numerous crewmembers becoming ill) at the time of this testing or immediately afterwards. This is also the case for those land-based tests for which we have located test officers' logs. In addition, neither the final test reports nor the Deseret Test Center scientists we talked with indicated any acute medical problems arising from participation in the series of tests we reviewed. Many of the chemical simulants that were used by the Deseret Test Center continue to be used as chemical simulants today. Only one of the biological simulants – *Bacillus subtilis* var. *niger* (*Bacillus globigii*) – continues to be used as a biological simulant for operational testing today. The other biological simulants have been replaced with agents having a lower risk of causing acute infections in immuno-compromised individuals. The decontaminants used were recognized to have acute effects on people if proper precautions were not taken; however, these substances are still being used today.

The Institute of Medicine, Medical Follow-up Agency, has been contracted to conduct a study of the current health of those sailors who were present during Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) testing and to compare their health status with sailors of the same period who were on similar ships which did not participate in operational chemical and biological testing. The results of this study should be concluded in 2005.

Although the information available does not suggest a pattern of illness or disability attributable to Project 112/SHAD participation, DoD believes the information that has been found, declassified, and released will greatly assist both further assessment of the entire project, such as the IOM study, and further analysis of individual veteran's disability claims. For thousands of veterans, the VA will now be able to confirm participation in SHAD and make a determination about exposure to a particular substance or substances. If scientific evidence supports a cause and effect link between such exposure and a disabling illness, the elements needed for a disability compensation award or other veterans benefits will all be established.

The DHSD hears from Project 112 veterans almost daily. Many of those veterans have sent copies of documents that have helped the investigation. Every veteran's account has been heard and factored into the investigation. Their recollections and personal documents have been very helpful in filling in the gaps in the official record.

A COMMENDATION TO PROJECT 112 VETERANS

The Department of Defense wishes to acknowledge the patriotic service of all who participated in the Project 112 program. Publication of this report summarizes a significant effort on the part of many people in the Department of Defense to ensure important information has been made available to service members and the Department of Veterans Affairs. DoD understands that some Project 112/SHAD veterans feel this investigation should have been conducted and the information provided years ago, and hopes that the efforts summarized in this report are responsive to their concerns. This in-depth investigation reflects an individual and collective commitment to veterans and their families to help bring closure and to replace speculation and uncertainty with fact.

WHAT WE KNOW TODAY

The Deseret Test Center planned 134 operational tests in support of Project 112. Fifty were conducted and 84 canceled. Table 3 shows the distribution of land- and sea-based (SHAD) tests.

Table 3. Distribution of Project 112 tests

| | Project 112 | Land-based | Project SHAD |
|-----------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Planned | 134 | 90 | 44 |
| Conducted | 50 | 31 | 19 |
| Canceled | 84 | 59 | 25 |

Approximately half of the Project SHAD tests were conducted in the open ocean. The remaining tests were conducted in the coastal waters of California, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Marshall Islands. Table 4 shows the locations of the 19 completed Project SHAD tests.

Table 4. Location of Project SHAD Tests

| | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Atlantic Ocean | 1 |
| Vieques, Puerto Rico | 1 |
| Pacific Ocean | 13 |
| Baker Island | 1 |
| Off Hawaiian Islands | 3 |
| Off San Diego | 5 |
| Open Ocean | 4 |
| Oahu, Hawaii | 3 |
| Entire Island | 2 |
| Pearl Harbor | 1 |
| Marshall Islands | 1 |
| Total | 19 |

Approximately two-thirds of the Project 112 land-based tests were conducted outside the continental United States. Half of those were conducted in Alaska because the test sites could be used under both temperate and arctic conditions. Most of those conducted in the continental United States were conducted at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah. Table 5 shows the primary locations of the 31 completed land-based tests; some tests conducted a portion of their trials at other listed test sites.

Table 5. Primary location of Project 112 land-based tests

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Alaska | 11 |
| Florida | 1 |
| Hawaii | 4 |
| Georgia | 1 |
| Maryland | 1 |
| Utah | 7 |
| Canada | 1 |
| Canada and Great Britain | 1 |
| Panama | 3 |
| Unspecified | 1 |
| Total | 31 |

Test documentation lists 21 Navy and Army vessels as participating in one or more Project SHAD tests. These vessels are listed in Table 6.

Table 6. Participating vessels

| |
|---------------------------------|
| USNS <i>Silas Bent</i> |
| USS <i>Berkeley</i> |
| USS <i>Carbonero</i> |
| USS <i>Carpenter</i> |
| USS <i>George Eastman</i> |
| USS <i>Fechteler</i> |
| USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> |
| USS <i>Hoel</i> |
| USNS <i>Samuel Phillips Lee</i> |
| USS <i>Navarro</i> |
| USS <i>Okanogan</i> |
| USS <i>Power</i> |
| USS <i>Fort Snelling</i> |
| USS <i>Herbert J. Thomas</i> |
| USS <i>Tioga County</i> |
| USS <i>Wexford County</i> |
| LT2080 |
| LT2081 |
| LT2085 |
| LT2086 |
| LT2087 |

The fact sheets for each test identify the substances used in that particular test. Summarized below are the substances documented to have been used in one or more of the Project 112 tests along, with their known health effects.

Warfare Agents

Chemical Agents:

Tabun (GA). Tabun is an amber, non-persistent liquid, which gives off little odor when vaporizing. The vapor is colorless. When exposed to Tabun, the first symptoms a victim will experience are a runny nose, tightness in the chest and dilation of the pupils. The victim will then encounter difficulty breathing, drooling from the mouth and nausea. Ultimately the victim will become comatose and will suffocate as a consequence of convulsive spasms. Tabun is essentially absorbed through the skin; however, vapors can also be hazardous. If a person does not receive an immediate lethal dose, death will occur after approximately 20 minutes. Those receiving a less than lethal dose who do not receive immediate medical care may suffer permanent neurological damage. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of exposure to low doses of tabun. [Stockholm International Peace Research Institute at <http://www.cbw.sipri.se/docu/cw-agents/tabun.html>]

Sarin (GB). Sarin is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery eyes, difficulty

breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. An Institute of Medicine Committee concluded that there was insufficient evidence for or against an association between low-level sarin exposure and long-term health effects. [Centers for Disease Control at <http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/Sarin/Sarin.asp>]

Soman (GD). Soman is a colorless liquid, which gives off an odor of rotting fruit when vaporizing. The vapor is colorless. Soman is a persistent agent that can easily remain in a particular area for a day or longer, depending on the atmospheric conditions. Symptoms associated with exposure to Soman include a runny nose, tightness in the chest and constriction of the pupils. These symptoms are followed by difficulty in breathing. Ultimately the victim will become comatose and suffocate as a consequence of convulsive spasms. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of exposure to soman. [Stockholm International Peace Research Institute at <http://www.cbw.sipri.se/docu/cw-agents/soman.html>]

VX. VX nerve agent is extremely lethal. It is an oily liquid that is clear, odorless, and tasteless. Death usually occurs within 10-15 minutes after absorption of a fatal dosage. VX nerve agent is one of the most toxic substances ever synthesized. Symptoms of overexposure may occur within minutes or hours, depending upon the dose. They include: constriction of pupils, headaches, runny nose, salivation, tightness in the chest, nausea, vomiting, anxiety, difficulty in thinking, muscle twitches, tremors, and weakness. With severe exposure, symptoms progress to convulsions and respiratory failure. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of low doses of VX. [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at <http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/VX/ctc0006.asp> or World Health Organization, Department of Sustainable Development & Environmental Protection <http://209.61.192.180/phe/factsheet5.htm>.]

Ester of Benzilic Acid (Agent BZ) (3-quinuclidinic ester of benzilic acid). Agent BZ is a psychochemical compound designed for temporarily disabling an enemy. It is designed to cause stupor, confusion and hallucinations when inhaled or absorbed through the skin. It is a white powder and may cause eye and skin irritation. Agent BZ may also irritate the digestive and respiratory tracts, if inhaled or ingested. While some effects may last several days or weeks, long-term or late-developing health effects have not been documented and seem unlikely. [<http://www.fishersci.ca/msds.nsf> or http://www.fas.org/nuke/guide/russia/cbw/jptac008_194001.html]

Biological Agents:

Coxiella burnetii (OU). This microorganism (a rickettsial species) can cause acute and chronic infection of the lung, liver, heart valve, nervous system, and other body sites (Q fever). Complications from this infection may be serious, even life threatening, but late-developing health effects would be unlikely. [Chin J, ed., Control of Communicable Diseases in Man, American Public Health Association, Washington DC, 2000, p. 407-11; Marrie, Thomas J., in Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases, 5th edition (vol. 2), Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2043-50]

Francisella tularensis (TT and ZZ). Formerly identified as *Pasteurella tularensis*, this bacterial species can cause acute infection of the lung, bloodstream, and other body sites (tularemia), and is considered a potential biological warfare agent. While complications of the acute infection may be serious, even life threatening, long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely. [Cross, J et al., in *Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases*, 5th edition (vol. 2), Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, eds., Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2393-2402; and Dennis DT et al., JAMA 2001;285(21):2763-73]

Puccinia graminis tritici (TX). This fungal species is toxic to plants, and therefore was considered a potential biological warfare agent directed against agricultural crops. It is not ordinarily considered to have either short-term or long-term human health effects. [Zajtchuk R., ed., Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997, p. 60, 460; and web site at <http://www.cbwinfo.com>]

Staphylococcal enterotoxin B (PG2). When inhaled, this bacterial toxin can cause fever and cough, incapacitation, and (with large doses) death, and is considered a potential biological warfare agent. When ingested, it commonly causes gastrointestinal symptoms (nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea). Some symptoms may last weeks, but long-term or late-developing health effects would be unlikely. [Ulrich RG et al., in Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997, p. 621-30]

Riot Control Agents:

CS and CS2. Two of several chemicals commonly called "Tear Gas." CS and CS2 are white, crystalline powders dispersed into the air as either an aerosol or powder. The chemical name for CS and CS2 is ortho-chlorobenzylidene malononitrile. Riot control agents affect the eyes, airways and skin. Exposure to CS causes burning, irritation, tearing and pain in the eyes. Airway symptoms include burning, sneezing, cough, shortness of breath and increased secretions, such as runny nose and increased salivation. High concentrations of CS or CS2 can cause blistering of the skin. With commonly used concentrations, these effects are short-term and the potential for long-term health consequences is low.
[<http://www.metrokc.gov/health/hazard/riotcontrol.htm#cs> and Cornell University, <http://msds.pdc.cornell.edu/msds/siri/files/chl/chlfz.html>]

Simulants

Chemical Simulants:

Bis (2-ethyl-hexyl) hydrogen phosphite. This chemical compound used as an additive in industrial lubricants can cause acute irritation of the skin, eyes, and respiratory tract. There is insufficient evidence for or against long-term health effects. [NLM TOXNET at <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov>.]

Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP). This chemical is commonly present in flexible plastics and therefore widespread in the environment and of some concern for the general population. While low level exposures have not been shown to cause serious health effects, acute exposure to high levels of this chemical can cause irritation of the skin, eyes, and respiratory tract. DEHP has caused cancer in some animal testing, but the relevance of this testing to cancer in humans is uncertain. [DHHS PHS ATSDR ToxFAQs, Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate #117-81-7, April 1993, and Toxicological Profile for Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEHP), September 2000, both available at <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov>. Also WHO International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans (vol. 77, Some Industrial Chemicals updated February 23, 2000), and NLM TOXNET, Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate 117-81-7 Human Health Effects, available at <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov>]

Diethyl phthalate. This chemical is commonly present in flexible plastics and cosmetics as well as in some insecticides and repellents, and therefore widespread in the environment and of some concern for the general population. While low level exposures have not been shown to cause serious human health effects, acute exposure to high levels of this chemical can cause irritation of the skin and eyes in animal testing. It is mutagenic and carcinogenic in some cell and animal testing, but these effects have not been demonstrated in humans. [DHHS PHS ATSDR ToxFAQs, Diethyl Phthalate #84-66-2, September 1996, and Toxicological Profile for Diethyl Phthalate, both available at <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov>. Also NLM TOXNET, Diethyl Phthalate 84-66-2, HSDB Human Health Effects and Animal Toxicity Studies, as well as CCRIS, IRIS and other databases, all available at <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov>]

Dimethyl methylphosphonate (DMMP). Dimethylmethylphosphonate is used as a flame retardant, a pre-ignition additive for gasoline, an antifoam agent, a plasticizer and stabilizer, a textile conditioner and anti-static agent, and an additive for solvents and low-temperature hydraulic fluids. It may be harmful if inhaled, swallowed or absorbed through the skin. It is a suspected carcinogen. [<http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov/htdocs/LT-studies/tr323.html>]

Polymethyl methacrylate (PMMA). Polymethyl methacrylate is a clear plastic used as a shatterproof replacement for glass. It is also found in acrylic latex paints. Little is known about long-term health effects of PMMA, but methyl methacrylate (from which PMMA is made) is considered not likely to be carcinogenic to humans. [EPA, Toxicological review of methyl methacrylate (CAS No. 80-62-6), January 1998, available at <http://www.epa.gov>, and NLM TOXNET, methyl methacrylate, HSDB Human Health Effects, available at <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov>]

Methylacetoacetate (MAA). While acute exposure to this compound has been associated with irritation of skin, eyes, respiratory tract, and digestive tract, there is little or no evidence of long-term or late-developing health effects and it is not known to cause cancer in animal testing. [NLM TOXNET, Methyl acetoacetate 105-45-3, HSDB Human Health Effects and Animal Toxicity Studies, available at <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov>]

Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂). This compound is a common product of combustion and an environmental air pollutant. Acute exposure to high levels of sulfur dioxide can cause burning of the nose and throat, difficulty breathing, and even obstruction of the airways. Long-term

exposures have been associated with breathing difficulty and lung damage. Even low level exposures may worsen asthma. It can cause cancer in some animal species, but this has not been clearly demonstrated in humans. [DHHS PHS ATSDR ToxFAQs, Sulfur dioxide #7446-09-5, June 1999, available at <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov>]

Trichloropropane. This chemical is used as an industrial solvent, paint and varnish remover, and cleaning and degreasing agent. Exposure to high levels for a short time causes eye and throat irritation. [<http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/tfacts57.html> http://www.osha-slc.gov/fts/chemicalsmapling/data/CH_273200.html]

Trioctyl phosphate (TOF). Used as a simulant for VX nerve agent. This compound, also known as tri(2-ethylhexyl) phosphate, can irritate the eyes, skin, and respiratory tract on contact. It can cause cancer in some animal species, but this has not been demonstrated in humans. [NLM TOXNET, Trioctyl phosphate 1806-54-8 or Tris(2-ethylhexyl)phosphate 78-42-2, HSDB Human Health Effects and Animal Toxicity Studies, available at <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov>]

Biological Simulants:

Bacillus globigii (BG). Now considered to be a variety or close relative of *Bacillus subtilis*, this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. *Bacillus subtilis* and similar *Bacillus* species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but always or nearly always in individuals whose health has already been compromised. Long-term or late developing health effects would be very unlikely. [Tuazon CU in *Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases*, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2220-6, and US Environmental Protection Agency, *Bacillus subtilis* Final Risk Assessment, February 1997, available at <http://www.epa.gov>]

Escherichia coli (E. coli). This bacterial species is a common inhabitant of the digestive tract but can also cause acute infection, especially when it gains access to other body sites, like the urinary tract, lung, and bloodstream. Long-term or late-developing health effects of *E. coli* infection would be unlikely. [Eisenstein, Barry I. et al, in *Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases*, 5th edition (vol. 2), Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2299-301.]

Serratia marcescens (SM). This bacterial species can cause acute infections of the urinary tract, lung, bloodstream, and other body sites. These infections commonly occur in individuals whose health has already been compromised, and often in patients who are already hospitalized. Long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely. Its use as a bacterial marker for studying the dissemination of bacterial aerosols was discontinued in 1969. [Eisenstein, BI et al., in *Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases* (chap. 206), 2000]

T-3 coliphage. Coliphages are viruses (bacteriophages) that infect *E. coli* bacteria and would not be expected to have harmful effects on humans. [<http://www.epa.gov/nerlcwww/1601ap01.pdf>]

Other Substances

Tracer Materials:

Calcofluor (fluorescent brightener 28). Used as a fluorescent tracer with *Bacillus globigii*. This chemical has been used as a medical laboratory stain and as a whitening agent in detergents. It can cause eye irritation in animal testing, but there is limited evidence for or against human health effects. [NLM TOXNET, Cellufluor 4193-55-9, available at net.nlm.nih.gov, and MSDS available at <http://hazard.com>]

Phosphorous 32. One of the highest-energy beta-emitting radionucleotides commonly used in biomedical research. In general Phosphorous 32 does not pose a severe threat from ingestion or inhalation. High-energy betas from Phosphorous 32 pose an external (skin and lens of the eye) dose hazard as well as a potential internal hazard. Radiogenic health effects (primarily cancer) are observed in humans only in doses in excess of 10 rem delivered at high dose rates. Below this dose, estimation of adverse health effects is speculative. Exposure can contribute to development of cancer. [http://www.uos.harvard.edu/ehs/radsafety/gui_p32.shtml]

Tiara. A luminescent gelatinous material. No other information is available.

Uranine. This chemical compound is added to cosmetics for color and is commonly used (injected or applied) for medical diagnostic purposes (e.g., for vascular imaging and eye staining). It can cause acute skin reactions and acute allergic reactions (including life-threatening anaphylaxis) in some individuals. Long-term and late-developing health effects would be very unlikely. [NLM TOXNET, Fluorescein Sodium 518-47-8 and Fluorescein 2321-07-5, available at <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov>]

Zinc cadmium sulfide (ZCdS). This compound was aerosolized as a tracer material for the dispersion of biological warfare agents because it had similar properties. There has been little scientific study on the toxicity of this compound when inhaled. A National Research Council (NRC) committee focused on the cadmium component as potentially most toxic. While higher concentrations and more prolonged exposures to cadmium are associated with the development of lung cancer, the concentrations and duration of exposure in the Army's tests were substantially lower. The NRC committee concluded that the risk of adverse health effects to populations in the area was low. [National Research Council (National Academies), Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion]

Decontaminants:

Betapropiolactone (β -Propiolactone). This chemical is a disinfectant. Modern uses for β -propiolactone include vaccines, enzymes, tissue grafts, and surgical instruments; to sterilize blood plasma, water, milk, and nutrient broth; and as a vapor-phase disinfectant in enclosed spaces. Its sporicidal action kills vegetative bacteria, pathogenic fungi, and viruses. The primary routes of potential human exposure to β -propiolactone are inhalation, ingestion, and dermal

contact. Acute contact can cause skin, eye, and respiratory tract irritation, sometimes with permanent damage. An International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) working group reported no data are available to evaluate the carcinogenicity of β -propiolactone in humans. It is carcinogenic and mutagenic in animal and bacterial cell testing. [Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health web site at [http-server.niehs.nih.gov](http://server.niehs.nih.gov); EPA Technology Transfer network Air Toxics Website, at <http://epa.gov>, and NLM TOXNET, at <http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov>]

Calcium hypochlorite. Uses for calcium hypochlorite include bleach, cleaning solutions, and disinfectants for drinking water, wastewater purification systems, and swimming pools. When released into the air, it is broken down by sunlight and compounds commonly found in the air. Ingestion of small amounts can cause gastrointestinal irritation. Larger amounts can cause corrosive injuries to the mouth, throat, esophagus, and stomach and can be life threatening. Inhalation of chlorine gas may cause nasal irritation, sore throat, and coughing. Contact with the skin may cause burning pain, inflammation, and blisters. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has determined that hypochlorite salts are not classifiable as to their carcinogenicity in humans. [ATSDR Medical management guidelines for calcium hypochlorite and sodium hypochlorite, available at <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov>]

Monoethanolamine. This chemical causes eye and skin burns, may be harmful or fatal if swallowed, may cause dizziness and drowsiness, and causes respiratory tract irritation and possibly damage. Chronic exposure to skin may cause a persistent irritation or dermatitis. Repeated inhalation may cause lung damage. [<http://www.astrochemicals.com/10129.pdf>]

Other:

Aedes aegypti mosquitoes. *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes used in this test were not infected. Health effects at the time would be the usual swelling and irritation associated with mosquito bites. No long-term or latent effects would be expected.

NUMBER OF RECORDS REVIEWED

What follows is a list of all records reviewed by the Deployment Health Support Directorate's investigative team and retained for use by its investigators. This list reflects more than 28,000 pages reviewed by DoD's investigators. Prior to the passage of Public Law 107-314, DoD's investigators did not catalog the records they reviewed unless they were retained for investigator use. To date, we estimate that the investigative team has reviewed approximately 10,000 additional pages of records and determined that the material was not germane to this investigation.

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Records and Information Passed to the VA

The following chart shows all tests planned by the Deseret Test Center between FY63 and FY74 and whether it was conducted, cancelled or deferred. The Deseret Test Center planned 134 tests and completed 50. Eighty-four were cancelled or deferred. Those tests that were deferred or cancelled are marked accordingly on the chart.

In addition to summarizing dates, locations and substances used, the chart also indicates, for completed tests, when the fact sheet (FS) was released and whether a personnel roster (PR) has been completed and passed to the VA.

The three-ring binder accompanying this report contains a copy of the most current fact sheet for each test. The fact sheets contain the test number and name when one was found, the dates of the test, location when known, vessels and/or military units involved, test purpose or objective and the substances used. In several cases, tests were conducted in phases; fact sheets were prepared for each phase actually completed for a total of 56 published fact sheets for the 50 conducted tests.

Project 112 Tests

Deseret Test Center Project 112 was a Cold war-era chemical and biological warfare test program. This comprehensive program was initiated in 1962 out of concern for our nation's ability to protect and defend against these potential threats.

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FS = Fact Sheet Released PR = Personnel Roster Provided * = New/Updated

Investigation Status Key: Investigating Test Status In Progress Complete

| # | Test Name | Date | Location | Agent/ Simulant | Investigation Status | Information at VA |
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| | <u>Eager Belle II [SHAD]</u> | Jan, Mar, Jun 1963 | Pacific Ocean | BG | Fact Sheet Released 1/31/2002 | FS, PR |
| 2 | <u>63-2 Autumn Gold [SHAD]</u> | May 1963 | Pacific Ocean | BG | Fact Sheet Released 9/13/2001 | FS, PR |
| 3 | <u>63-3 Whistle Down</u> | Dec 1962 - Feb 1963 | Ft. Greely, AK | GB, VX | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 4 | <u>63-4 Big Jack A</u> | Feb - Mar 1963 | Ft. Sherman, Panama Canal Zone | BG, FP | Fact Sheet Released 10/31/2002 | FS |
| | <u>Big Jack B</u> | Feb - Mar 1963 | Ft. Sherman, Panama Canal Zone | TOF | Fact Sheet Released 10/31/2002 | FS |
| FY 64 | | | | | | |
| 5 | <u>64-1 Errand Boy [SHAD]</u> | Sep 1963 | Oahu, HI | BG | Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS, PR |
| 6 | <u>64-2 Flower Drum I [SHAD]</u> | Feb - Apr 1964 Aug - Sep 1964 | Pacific Ocean | GB, SO2, MAA | Fact Sheet Released 5/23/2002 | FS, PR |
| | <u>Flower Drum II [SHAD]</u> | Nov - Dec 1964 | Pacific Ocean | VX, P32, Bis | Fact Sheet Released 5/23/2002 | FS |
| 7 | <u>64-3 Little Mo [SHAD]</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 8 | <u>64-4 [Red Beva] Shady Grove [SHAD]</u> | Jan - Apr 1965 | Pacific Ocean | BG, OU, UL | Fact Sheet Released 9/13/2001 | FS, PR |
| 9 | <u>64-5 Night Train</u> | Nov | Ft. Greely, AK | BG, FP | Fact Sheet Released | FS |

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| | | 1963 - Jan 1964 | | | 10/09/2002 | |
| 10 | <u>64-6 Yellow Leaf</u> | Feb 1964, Apr - May 1966 | Ft. Sherman, Panama Canal Zone, Island of Hawaii | BG, Tiara | Fact Sheet Released 10/31/2002 | FS, PR |
| 11 | 64-7 Big Thunder | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 12 | <u>64-8 Tall Timber</u> | Apr - Jun 1966 | Island of Hawaii | BZ | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS, PR |
| 13 | 64-9 Big Piney | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 14 | 64-10 [65-18] Black Label | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred/Renumbered | NA |
| 15 | 64-11 [65-19] Laurel Grove | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred/Renumbered | NA |
| FY 65 | | | | | | |
| 16 | <u>65-1 Copper Head [SHAD]</u> | Jan - Feb 1965 | Atlantic Ocean off Newfoundland, Canada | BG, FP, Beta-propiolactone | Fact Sheet Released 9/13/2001 | FS, PR |
| 17 | 65-2 Chain Saw | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 18 | <u>65-3 West Side I</u> | Jan - Feb 1965 | Ft. Greely, AK | BG, FP | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS, PR |
| 19 | <u>65-4 Magic Sword [SHAD]</u> | May 1965 | Baker Island | mosquitoes (Aedes aegypti) | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS, PR |
| 20 | 65-5 Iron Clad [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 21 | <u>65-6 Big Tom [SHAD]</u> | May - Jun 1965 | Pacific Ocean, off Oahu, HI & surrounding water & airspace | BG, FP | Updated Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS, PR |
| 22 | 65-7 Great Sole [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 23 | 65-8 Lone Wolf [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 24 | 65-9 Silver Star | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 25 | 65-10 Little Egypt | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 26 | <u>65-11 [Bear River] Sun Down</u> | Feb, Apr 1966 | Ft. Greely, AK | GB, MAA, Tiara | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 27 | <u>65-12 Devil Hole I</u> | Summer 1965 | Ft. Greely, AK | GB, FP | Fac Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 28 | <u>65-13 High Low [SHAD]</u> | Jan - Feb 1965 | Pacific Ocean off San Diego, CA | MAA | Corrected Fact Sheet Released 12/31/2002 | FS, PR |
| 29 | <u>65-14 Elk Hunt I</u> | Jul - Aug | Ft. Greely, AK | VX | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS, PR |

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| | | 1964 | | | | |
| | <u>Elk Hunt II</u> | Jun - Jul 1965 Oct - Dec 1965 | Ft. Greely, AK & Edgewood Arsenal, MD, & Canada | VX | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS, PR |
| 30 | 65-15 Little Corporal | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 31 | <u>65-16 Pine Ridge</u> | May - Jun 1966 | Island of Hawaii | GB, BZ | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS, PR |
| 32 | <u>65-17 Fearless Johnny [SHAD]</u> | Aug - Sep 1965 | Pacific Ocean southwest of Oahu, HI | VX, Diethylphthlate | Fact Sheet Released 5/23/2002 | FS, PR |
| 33 | 65-18 [64-10] Black Label | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 34 | 65-19 [64-11] Laurel Grove | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| FY 66 | | | | | | |
| 35 | <u>66-1 Devil Hole II</u> | Jul - Aug 1966 | Ft. Greely, AK | VX | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS, PR |
| 36 | <u>66-2 Red Oak I</u> | Apr - May 1967 | Island of Hawaii, Ft. Sherman, Panama Canal Zone | GB | Fact Sheet Released 10/31/2002 | FS, PR |
| 37 | <u>66-3 Swamp Oak I</u> | Mar - Apr 1966 | Ft. Greely, AK | GB | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 38 | <u>66-4 Green Mist</u> | Mar - Apr 1967 | Island of Hawaii | GB, MAA | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS, PR |
| 39 | <u>66-5 Purple Sage [SHAD]</u> | Jan - Feb 1966 | Pacific Ocean off San Diego, CA | MAA | Fact Sheet Released 5/23/2002 | FS, PR |
| 40 | <u>66-6 Scarlet Sage [SHAD]</u> | Feb - Mar 1966 | Pacific Ocean off San Diego, CA | BG | Fact Sheet Released 1/31/2002 | FS, PR |
| 41 | 66-7 Clay Pigeon I | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 42 | <u>66-8 West Side II</u> | Jan - Mar 1965 | Southwestern Canada | BG, FP | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 43 | 66-9 Magic Sword II [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 44 | <u>66-10 Pin Point</u> | 1966 | Unspecified | CS | Fact Sheet Released 10/31/2002 | FS |
| 45 | 66-11 Ebony Sun [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 46 | 66-12 [Bald | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |

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| | Eagle I] Bold Captain [SHAD] | | | | | |
| 47 | <u>66-13 Half Note [SHAD]</u> | Aug - Sep 1966 | Pacific Ocean, off Hawaii | BG, E.coli, FP SM, calcaflour | Updated Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS, PR |
| 48 | 66-14 Sandy Point [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| FY 67 | | | | | | |
| 49 | 67-1 [68-15] Red Oak II | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred/Renumbered | NA |
| 50 | <u>67-2 Dew Point</u> | Jun - Jul 1967 | Ft. Greely, AK | GB | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 51 | 67-3 [68-11] [69-13] Tiny Doll | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred/Renumbered | NA |
| 52 | 67-4 Blue Note [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 53 | 67-5 Work Horse [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 54 | <u>67-6 Blue Tango</u> | Jan - Feb 1967 | Hawaii | BG, E.coli, SM | Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS, PR |
| 55 | <u>67-7 [Coincidence] Red Cloud</u> | Nov 1966 - Feb 1967 | Ft. Greely, AK | BG, E.coli, SM, TT, ZZ | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 56 | <u>67-8 [Autobiography] Watch Dog</u> | Summer 1967 | Ft. Greely, AK | BG, E.coli, SM, TT, ZZ | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 57 | 67-9 [Key Fruit] Gray Fox [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 58 | 67-10 [Meddled] Night Fire [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 59 | 67-11 [Expunge] Slow Waltz [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 60 | 67-12 [68-72] [69-70] [Expulsion] Sharp Nail [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred/Renumbered | NA |
| 61 | 67-13 Steel Point | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| FY 68 | | | | | | |
| 62 | 68-10 [68-2] Sharp Ravine | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 63 | 68-11 [67-3] [69-13] Tiny Doll | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred/Renumbered | NA |
| 64 | 68-12 [68-1] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |

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| | Narrow Trail | | | | | |
| 65 | <u>68-13 [68-4] Rapid Tan</u> | Jul - Aug 1967 May - Jun 1968 Aug - Sep 1968 | Phase I & III - Porton Down, England, Phase II - Ralston, Canada | GA, GB, GD, VX | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 66 | <u>68-14 [68-3] Channel Crab</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 67 | <u>68-15 [67-1] Red Oak II</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 68 | <u>68-30 [68-5] [69-74] Prairie Carpet</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred/Renumbered | NA |
| 69 | <u>68-31 [68-6] [69-33] Exit Line [SHAD]</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred/Renumbered | NA |
| 70 | <u>68-33 [68-7] Wicked Slice</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 71 | <u>68-50 [68-11] Speckled Start [SHAD]</u> | Sep - Oct 1968 | Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands | BG, PG2, uranine dye | Fact Sheet Released 5/23/2002 | FS, PR |
| 72 | <u>68-51 [68-9] Strange Fruit</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 73 | <u>68-52 Cliff Rose</u> | Sep 27, 1967 - Jan 18, 1968 | Ft Stewart Georgia and Panama Canal Zone | CS | Fact Sheet Released 12/9/2002 | FS |
| 74 | <u>68-53</u> | Apr - Dec 1969 | DPG, UT | CS | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 75 | <u>68-70 [68-12] Shining Pond</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 76 | <u>68-71 [68-13] Folded Arrow [SHAD]</u> | Apr - May 1968 | Oahu, HI and surrounding waters | BG | Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS, PR |
| 77 | <u>68-72 [67-12] [69-70] Sharp Nail [SHAD]</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred/Renumbered | NA |
| 78 | <u>68-73 [68-8] [69-73] Leaning Shoe</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred/Renumbered | NA |
| 79 | <u>[68-10] Maple Board</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| FY 69 | | | | | | |
| 80 | <u>69-10 [SHAD]</u> | May 1969 | Vieques, PR | TOF | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS, PR |
| 81 | <u>69-12</u> | Spring 1969 | Edgewood Arsenal, MD | GB, GD, GA, VX | Test Suspended Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |

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| 82 | 69-13 [67-3] [68-11] Tiny Doll | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 83 | 69-14 | Jul - Nov 1971 | DPG, UT | DEHP | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 84 | 69-15 [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 85 | 69-16 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 86 | 69-30 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 87 | 69-31 [SHAD] | Aug - Sep 1968 | Pacific Ocean off San Diego, CA | BG, MAA | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS, PR |
| 88 | 69-32 [SHAD] | Apr - Jun 1969 | Pacific Ocean, southwest of Hawaii | BG, E.coli, SM, Calcaflour | Fact Sheet Released 5/23/2002 | FS, PR |
| 89 | 69-33 [68-6] [68-31] Exit Line [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 90 | 69-34 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 91 | 69-35 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 92 | 69-36 [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 93 | 69-37 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 94 | 69-70 [67-12] [68-72] Sharp Nail [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 95 | 69-71 [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 96 | 69-72 [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 97 | 69-73 [68-73] [68-8] Leaning Shoe | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 98 | 69-74 [68-5] [68-30] Prairie Carpet | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 99 | 69-75 | Oct - Dec 1968 | Yeehaw Junction, FL | TX | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| FY 70 | | | | | | |
| 100 | 70-A | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 101 | 70-B | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 102 | 70-C [SHAD] | Oct 1972, Feb - Mar 1973 | Pacific Ocean, from San Diego, CA to Babloa, Panama | NA | Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS |
| 103 | 70-D | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 104 | 70-10 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled* | NA |
| 105 | 70-11 Ph I, Subtest 3 | Jun 1972 - Nov 1973 | Dugway PG, UT | Bis, TOP, FP | Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS |
| | 70-11 Ph I, | May | Dugway PG, | Bis | Fact Sheet Released | FS |

| | <u>Subtest 4</u> | 1974 | UT | | 6/30/2003 | |
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| 106 | 70-12 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 107 | 70-30 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled* | NA |
| 107 | 70-30 | NA | NA | NA | Test Deferred | NA |
| 108 | 70-31 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 109 | 70-50 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 110 | 70-70 [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 111 | 70-71 [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 112 | 70-72 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 113 | 70-73 | Jul - Dec 1970 | DPG, UT | BG, FP | Fact Sheet Released 10/09/2002 | FS |
| 114 | 70-74 | Aug 1972 - Jan 1973 | Dugway PG, UT | BG, SM | Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS |
| FY 71 | | | | | | |
| 115 | 71-10 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 116 | 71-11 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 117 | 71-12 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 118 | 71-13 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 119 | 71-30 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 120 | 71-31 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 121 | 71-32 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 122 | 71-33 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 123 | 71-34 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 124 | 71-35 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 125 | 71-70 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 126 | 71-75 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| FY 72 | | | | | | |
| 127 | 72-30 [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled* | NA |
| 128 | 72-70 [SHAD] | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled* | NA |
| FY 73 | | | | | | |
| 129 | 73-10 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 130 | 73-11 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 131 | 73-12 | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
| 132 | 73-30 | Jan - Feb 1973 | Dugway PG, UT | BG, SM, P | Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS |
| FY 74 | | | | | | |
| 133 | 74-10 Ph I | Sep - Oct 1973 | Dugway PG, UT | DMMP, Bis, Trichloropropane | Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS |
| | 74-10 Ph II | Apr - May 1974 | Dugway PG, UT | DMMP | Fact Sheet Released 6/30/2003 | FS |

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| 134 | <u>74-030</u> | NA | NA | NA | Test Cancelled | NA |
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Investigation Status Key: Investigating Test Status In Progress Complete

Service Members Present at the Tests

The following list contains the number of servicemembers who were present at each test. Many servicemembers were present during more than one test. The total number of military members identified as being present during one or more of these tests is 5,842.

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| Autumn Gold May 1965 | | | |
| APA-215 | USS Navarro | | 393 |
| YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | | 112 |
| DD-825 | USS Carpenter | | 268 |
| DDG-13 | USS Hoel | | 399 |
| MARINE AIR GROUP 13 | Marine AR Group 13 | | 189 |
| LST-1158 | USS Tioga County | | 175 |
| TOTAL | | | 1,536 |
| Big Tom May - June 1965 | | | |
| YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | | 117 |
| SS 337 | USS Carbonero | | 119 |
| TOTAL | | | 236 |
| Blue Tango Jan - Feb 1967 | | | |
| DPG | N/A | | 30 |
| TOTAL | | | 30 |
| Copper Head 22 January - 28 February 1965 | | | |
| DD-839 | USS Power | | 288 |
| TOTAL | | | 288 |
| Devil Hole II Jul - Sep 1966 | | | |
| Land Base | Land Base | | 169 |
| TOTAL | | | 169 |
| DTG Programs 202, 205 20 Feb - 20 May 1967 | | | |
| DPG | N/A | | 3 |
| TOTAL | | | 3 |
| DTG TEST 68-50 September - October 1968 | | | |
| YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | | 127 |
| TOTAL | | | 127 |
| DTG TEST 69-10 May 69 | | | |
| LSD-30 | USS Fort Snelling | | 786 |
| TOTAL | | | 786 |
| DTG TEST 69-31 August - September 1969 | | | |
| DD-833 | USS Thomas | | 313 |
| TOTAL | | | 313 |
| DTG TEST 69-32 30 April - 21 June 1969 | | | |
| YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | | 150 |
| TOTAL | | | 150 |
| Eager Ball II Feb - February - March - June 1963 | | | |
| DD-825 | USS Carpenter | | 261 |
| YAG-39 | USS George Eastman | | 120 |
| YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | | 125 |
| APA-215 | USS Navarro | | 394 |
| LST-1158 | USS Tioga County | | 176 |
| TOTAL | | | 1,076 |
| Eager Ball I January - March 1963 | | | |
| YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | | 119 |
| TOTAL | | | 119 |
| Elk Hunt I Jul - Aug 1964 | | | |
| DPG | N/A | | 6 |
| TOTAL | | | 6 |
| Elk Hunt Phase P&II Jul - Aug 1964 | | | |
| Land Base | Land Base | | 111 |
| TOTAL | | | 111 |

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| Bravo Boy | | September 6 - 15, 1966 | |
| | YAG-39 | USS George Eastman | 95 |
| | | TOTAL | 95 |
| Fearless Johnny | | August - September 1966 | |
| | YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | 133 |
| | YAG-39 | USS George Eastman | 128 |
| | | TOTAL | 261 |
| Flower Drum | | Jan - Mar 1966 | |
| | DPG | N/A | 5 |
| | | TOTAL | 5 |
| Flower Drum | | February - April and August - September 1966 | |
| | YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | 139 |
| | YAG-39 | USS George Eastman | 129 |
| | | TOTAL | 268 |
| Folded Arrow | | Apr - May 1966 | |
| | YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | 134 |
| | SS 337 | USS Carbonero | 118 |
| | | TOTAL | 252 |
| Green Mist | | Mar - Apr 1967 | |
| | DPG | N/A | 46 |
| | | TOTAL | 46 |
| Half Note | | August - September 1966 | |
| | SS 337 | USS Carbonero | 104 |
| | LT-2085 | Light Tug 2085 | 1 |
| | YAG-39 | USS George Eastman | 133 |
| | YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | 129 |
| | | TOTAL | 367 |
| High Low | | 19 January - 26 February 1966 | |
| | APA-220 | USS Okanogan | 329 |
| | DD-870 | USS Fechteler | 246 |
| | LST-1168 | USS Wexford County | 198 |
| | YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | 6 |
| | DDG-15 | USS Berkeley | 341 |
| | | TOTAL | 1,120 |
| Madre Sword | | May 1966 | |
| | DPG | N/A | 15 |
| | YAG-39 | USS George Eastman | 114 |
| | | TOTAL | 129 |
| Pine Ridge | | May - June 1966 | |
| | Land Base | Land Base | 90 |
| | | TOTAL | 90 |
| Purple Sage | | 1 - 10 April - 21 April 1966 | |
| | DD-833 | USS Thomas | 310 |
| | | TOTAL | 310 |
| Red Oak | | Apr - May 1966 | |
| | DPG | N/A | 24 |
| | | TOTAL | 24 |
| Scarlet Sage | | January - 21 March 1966 | |
| | DD-833 | USS Thomas | 356 |
| | | TOTAL | 356 |

| Shady Grove 22 Jan 1985 - 9 April 1985 | | | |
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| LT | Light Tug | | 3 |
| LT-2080 | Light Tug 2080 | | 10 |
| LT-2081 | Light Tug 2081 | | 9 |
| DIV-40 | Division 40 | | 5 |
| LT-2086 | Light Tug 2086 | | 11 |
| LT-2087 | Army Light Tug 2087 | | 12 |
| YAG-40 | USS Granville S. Hall | | 163 |
| LT-2085 | Light Tug 2085 | | 10 |
| TOTAL | | | 223 |
| Tall Timber April - June 1985 | | | |
| Land Base | Land Base | | 133 |
| TOTAL | | | 133 |
| West Side 1 Jan - Feb 1985 | | | |
| DPG | N/A | | 29 |
| TOTAL | | | 29 |
| Yellow Leaf 1 Feb 1985 - 7 April 1985 | | | |
| DPG | N/A | | 184 |
| TOTAL | | | 184 |

Total Personnel 5,842

Without SNs 358

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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

Eager Belle, Phase I

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The primary purpose of the Eager Belle, Phase I test was to evaluate the effectiveness of selected protective devices in preventing penetration of a naval ship by a biological aerosol. An additional objective was to compare the efficiency of the M-17 and the Mark V protective masks against a biological aerosol. The USS *George Eastman* (YAG-39) was exposed to a biological tracer disseminated from a point source installed on a tugboat.

The biological tracer was *Bacillus subtilis* var. *niger* (often referred to as *Bacillus globigii* [BG]). For each trial, BG was aerosolized from an E-2 biological disseminator mounted on the stern of a tugboat. The BG was disseminated over a 10-minute period, during which 16 to 18 liters of agent were aerosolized. The USS *George Eastman* (YAG-39) maintained a distance of approximately 500 yards astern the tugboat. Fog oil was disseminated from an M3A3 pulse-jet mechanical smoke generator, prior to and concurrently with the BG, to provide a visible tracer to assist the captain of YAG-39 in remaining within the aerosol cloud.

Eager Belle, Phase I tests were conducted in an area of the Pacific Ocean west of Oahu, Hawaii within 40 miles of latitude 21° 30' N, 158° 40' W during the months of January and March 1963.

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EAGER BELLE, PHASE I
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| Test Name | Eager Belle, Phase I (Test 63-1) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | January, March 1963 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted in the Pacific Ocean, west of Oahu, Hawaii. |
| Test Operations | To evaluate the effectiveness of selected protective devices in preventing penetration of a naval ship by a biological aerosol. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>George Eastman</i> (YAG-39) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Biological tracer released from an E-2 biological disseminator |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> (<i>Bacillus globigii</i> [BG]). |
| Ancillary Testing | Mk V and M17 protective masks |
| Decontamination | Not identified. |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> (<i>Bacillus globigii</i> [BG])</u> The American Type Culture Center characterizes <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> as a BioSafety Level-1 (BSL-1) bacterium. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention define BSL-1 as suitable for work involving well-characterized agents not known to consistently cause disease in healthy adult humans. (Sources: American Type Culture Collection data sheet, http://phage.atcc.org [as of January 11, 2002] and <i>Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories</i> , U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and National Institutes of Health, 4 th ed., p. 17, April 1999, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington) |

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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

Eager Belle, Phase II

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The primary purpose of the Eager Belle, Phase II test was to study the downwind travel of biological aerosols. The primary test objectives were to relate biological cloud travel to predicted cloud travel based on prediction models for prevailing conditions; to obtain additional information on weapon system performance over the open sea under meteorological conditions encountered; and, to obtain information to assist in the design and execution of future trials. A secondary objective was to provide information on the performance of a particle-sized analyzer under environmental conditions.

Bacillus subtilis var. *niger* (often referred to as *Bacillus globigii* [BG]), a biological tracer, was released as a line source generated by Aero 14B spray tanks mounted on A-4 series jet attack aircraft. The ships which operated in Eager Belle, Phase II were the USS *George Eastman* (YAG-39), the USS *Carpenter* (DD-825), the USS *Navarro* (APA-215), and the USS *Tioga County* (LST-1185). The USS *Granville S. Hall* (YAG-40) and an EC-121 aircraft maintained operational control of testing.

Eager Belle, Phase II tests were conducted in an area of the Pacific Ocean approximately 175 miles west of Oahu, Hawaii within 100 miles radius of latitude 19° 30' N, 160° 00' W during the months of February, March, and June 1963.

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| Test Name | Eager Belle, Phase II (Test 63-1) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | February, March, June 1963 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted in the Pacific Ocean, west of Oahu, Hawaii. |
| Test Operations | To study the downwind travel of biological aerosols. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>George Eastman</i> (YAG-39) USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> (YAG-40) USS <i>Carpenter</i> (DD-825) USS <i>Navarro</i> (APA-215) USS <i>Tioga County</i> (LST-1185) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Biological tracer released as a line source generated by Aero 14B spray tanks mounted on A-4 series jet attack aircraft. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> (<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> [BG]). |
| Ancillary Testing | Particle-sized analyzer under development |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> (<i>Bacillus globigii</i> [BG])</u> The American Type Culture Center characterizes <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> as a BioSafety Level-1 (BSL-1) bacterium. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention define BSL-1 as suitable for work involving well-characterized agents not known to consistently cause disease in healthy adult humans. (Sources: American Type Culture Collection data sheet, http://phage.atcc.org [as of January 11, 2002] and <i>Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories</i> , U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and National Institutes of Health, 4 th ed., p. 17, April 1999, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington) |

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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

Autumn Gold

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was a program encompassing several tests undertaken in the 1960s to learn the vulnerabilities of US warships to an attack with chemical or biological warfare agents and develop procedures to respond to such an attack while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The purpose of the Autumn Gold test program was to examine shipboard vulnerabilities and capabilities during a chemical or biological warfare agent attack. The test's primary objective was to determine the efficiency of shipboard protection systems such as detectors and decontaminants. The Autumn Gold test used a biological tracer.

According to the Autumn Gold test plan and final report, the crews who participated in the tests were not test subjects, but test conductors. Participants should have been fully informed of the details of each test. Before testing began, all persons involved in Autumn Gold should have received comprehensive biological and chemical agent training. Trial tests conducted before the actual test should have reinforced the training already received and ensured everyone involved knew their role in the test. The training program should have included training in the areas of using protective masks and clothing, medical training and immunizations, knowledge of chemical and biological agents and simulants, and knowledge of test procedures and processes. Under actual test conditions, test conductors should have worn appropriate nuclear, biological, and chemical (NBC) protective equipment and should have taken extensive safety precautions to prevent any adverse health effects from the testing.

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| Test Name | Autumn Gold (Test 63-2) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | May 3-31, 1963 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted on the open sea approximately 60 miles west-southwest of Oahu in the Hawaiian Islands |
| Test Operations | Three phases simulating stages of combat preparedness. Each phase consisted of three trials: Phase A. Defense against chemical and biological attack Phase B. Battle or near-battle condition. Phase C. Wartime or battle steaming. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, US Marines, plus Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | A. USS <i>Navarro</i> (APA-215) B. USS <i>Tioga County</i> (LST-1158) C. USS <i>Carpenter</i> (DD-825) D. USS <i>Hoel</i> (DDG-13) E. USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> (YAG-40) F. Marine Air Group 13, First Marine Brigade |
| Dissemination Procedures | Sprayed from A4B aircraft. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Bacillus globigii (BG)</u> . Harmless to humans, BG is ubiquitous and found easily in samplings of wind-borne dust. BG is safely used in biological studies as a stand-in for pathogenic bacteria. BG is used as a biological tracer for anthrax because its particle size and dispersal characteristics are similar to those of anthrax. A household bleach-and-water solution easily kills BG. |
| Ancillary Testing | M-17 and Navy's Mark IV protective masks |
| Decontamination | Water wash-down system (salt water), fire hoses (salt water), air wash by forced ventilation |

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Deseret Test Center

Whistle Down

Shortly after President Kennedy's inauguration in 1961, the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara, directed that a total review of the U.S. military be undertaken. The study consisted of 150 separate projects. The chemical and biological warfare review was known as Project 112. As part of the Project 112 review, the Joint Chiefs of Staff convened a working committee that recommended a research, testing, and development program for chemical and biological weapons. To oversee this program, the Deseret Test Center was established at Fort Douglas, Utah, in 1962. Both land-based and ship-based tests were conducted during the period 1962 – 1973. The Deseret Test Center closed in 1973.

Whistle Down was primarily an investigation of the existence, nature, and extent of the hazard from Sarin nerve agent and VX nerve agent on environmental clothing, snow, and frozen ground.

Manikins dressed in arctic clothing and white camouflage overgarments were exposed downwind of the burst of Sarin-filled munitions as well as downwind of a detonated VX-filled M23 land mine.

Whistle Down was conducted at the Gerstle River test site, Fort Greely, Alaska, from December 1, 1962 to February 5, 1963.

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| Test Name | Whistle Down (DTC Test 63-3) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | December 1, 1962 – February 5, 1963 |
| Test Location | Gerstle River test site, Fort Greely, Alaska |
| Test Operations | To investigate the existence, nature, and extent of the hazard from Sarin and VX nerve agents on environmental clothing, snow, and frozen ground. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Sarin-filled M55 rockets and M121 155mm shells, and VX-filled M23 land mines were remotely detonated. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Sarin Nerve Agent, VX Nerve Agent |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Sarin Nerve Agent</u> (GB) Sarin gas is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, human symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery eyes, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. No information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. An Institute of Medicine committee concluded that there was insufficient evidence for or against an association between low-level sarin exposure and long-term |

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| | <p>health effects.</p> <p>(Sources: http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/Sarin/Sarin.asp [as of February 13, 2002] Institute of Medicine (National Academies), Gulf War and Health (vol.1): Depleted Uranium, Pyridostigmine Bromide, Sarin, Vaccines. National Academy Press, Washington DC, 2000.)</p> <p><u>VX Nerve Agent</u> – (Synonyms: Phosphonothioic acid, VX) VX nerve agent is extremely lethal. It is an oily liquid that is clear, odorless, and tasteless. Death usually occurs within 10 15 minutes after absorption of a fatal dosage. VX nerve agent is one of the most toxic substances ever synthesized. Symptoms of overexposure may occur within minutes or hours, depending upon the dose. They include: constriction of pupils, headaches, runny nose, salivation, tightness in the chest, nausea, vomiting, anxiety, difficulty in thinking, muscle twitches, tremors, and weakness. With severe exposure, symptoms progress to convulsions and respiratory failure. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of exposure to low doses of VX.</p> <p>(Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/VX/ctc0006.asp [as of January 25, 2002] Zajtchuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997. SBCCOM Online, Edgewood Chemical Biological Center http://inl.apgea.army.mil:80/RDA/msds/vx.htm [as of April 2, 2002]</p> |
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| | <p>World Health Organization, Department of Sustainable Development & Environmental Protection, http://209.61.192.180/phe/factsheet_5.htm [as of April 2, 2002]</p> <p>Department of the Army Pamphlet 40-8: Occupational Health Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Occupational Exposure to Nerve Agents GA, GB, GD, and VX</p> <p>http://books.army.mil:80/cgi-bin/bookmgr/BOOKS/P40_8/CCONTENTS [as of February 5, 2002])</p> |
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Deseret Test Center

Big Jack, Phase A

Shortly after President Kennedy's inauguration in 1961, the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara, directed that a total review of the U.S. military be undertaken. The study consisted of 150 separate projects. The chemical and biological warfare review was known as Project 112. As part of the Project 112 review, the Joint Chiefs of Staff convened a working committee that recommended a research, testing, and development program for chemical and biological weapons. To oversee this program, the Deseret Test Center was established at Fort Douglas, Utah, in 1962. Both land-based and ship-based tests were conducted during the period 1962 – 1973. The Deseret Test Center closed in 1973.

The purpose of the Big Jack, Phase A test was to measure penetration of a jungle canopy by biological and chemical agent simulants disseminated from an operational weapon system.

The Big Jack program was divided into two phases. In Phase A trials, *Bacillus globigii*, a simulant for biological warfare agents, was released and sampled. The dissemination systems used were the US Air Force A/B45Y-1 and the US Navy Aero 14B spray tanks. The tanks were mounted on Marine A-4 aircraft.

A meteorological study using zinc cadmium sulfide (FP) was conducted during Big Jack, Phase A, to compare penetration of the jungle canopy by FP and the biological tracer.

The Big Jack, Phase A test area was located near the Fort Sherman Military Reservation, Panama Canal Zone. Big Jack, Phase A tests were conducted from February 15 – March 15, 1963.

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BIG JACK, PHASE A
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| Test Name | Big Jack, Phase A (DTC Test 63-4) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | February 15 – March 15, 1963 |
| Test Location | Near Fort Sherman Military Reservation, Panama Canal Zone |
| Test Operations | To study the penetration of a jungle canopy by a biological aerosol generated by crosswind dissemination of a biological simulant from an elevated line source. |
| Participating Services | US Army, US Navy, US Air Force, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | VMA 225, Marine Aircraft Group 14 |
| Dissemination Procedures | Sprayed from US Air Force A/B45Y-1 and US Navy Aero 14B spray tanks center mounted on Marine A-4 aircraft. |
| Agents | Not used |
| Simulants and Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> Zinc cadmium sulfide (FP) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i></u> (BG) Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, |

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| | <p>heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but always or nearly always in individuals whose health has already been compromised. Long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely (except perhaps as a complication of the acute infection).</p> <p>(Sources: Tuazon CU, <i>Other Bacillus Species</i> (chap. 197), in <i>Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases</i>, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2220-6; US Environmental Protection Agency, <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> Final Risk Assessment, February 1997, available at http://www.epa.gov as of October 4, 2002.)</p> <p><u>Zinc cadmium sulfide (ZCdS)</u></p> <p>This compound was aerosolized as a tracer material for the dispersion of biological warfare agents because it had similar properties. There has been little scientific study on the toxicity of this compound when inhaled. A National Research Council (NRC) committee focused on the cadmium component as potentially most toxic. While higher concentrations and more prolonged exposures to cadmium are associated with the development of lung cancer, the concentrations and durations of exposure in the Army's tests were substantially lower. The NRC committee concluded that the risk of adverse health effects to populations in the area was low.</p> <p>(Sources: National Research Council (National Academies), <i>Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests</i>, and <i>Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests: Answers to Commonly Asked Questions</i>, National Academy Press, Washington DC, 1997, both available at http://www.nap.edu as of October 1, 2002.)</p> |
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Big Jack, Phase B

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The purpose of the Big Jack, Phase B test was to obtain information on the degree of penetration of jungle canopy by a chemical warfare agent simulant disseminated from an operational type weapon system.

The Big Jack program was divided into two phases. Phase B trials involved the release and sampling of tri (2-ethylhexyl) phosphate (TOF), a non-toxic simulant for VX nerve agent. The dissemination systems used were the US Navy Aero 14B and E40 spray tanks mounted on Marine A-4 aircraft.

The Big Jack, Phase B test area was located on the Fort Sherman Military reservation, Panama Canal Zone. Big Jack, Phase B trials were conducted from February 15 - March 9, 1963.

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BIG JACK, PHASE B

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| Test Name | Big Jack, Phase B (DTC Test 63-4) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | February 15 - March 9, 1963 |
| Test Location | Near Fort Sherman Military Reservation, Panama Canal Zone |
| Test Operations | To investigate the penetration and dispersion of a simulant for VX nerve agent when released as an aerial spray over a jungle environment. |
| Participating Services | US Army, US Navy, US Air Force, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | VMA 225, Marine Aircraft Group 14 |
| Dissemination Procedures | Sprayed from US Navy Aero 14B and E40 tanks mounted on Marine A-4 aircraft |
| Agents | Not used |
| Simulants and Tracers | tri (2-ethylhexyl) phosphate |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <p><u>trioctyl phosphate (tri (2-ethylhexyl) phosphate) (TOF)</u></p> <p>Used as a nontoxic simulant for VX nerve agent. TOF is a viscous, colorless or pale yellow liquid. It can irritate the eyes, skin, and respiratory tract on contact. It can cause cancer in some animal species, but this has not been demonstrated in humans.</p> <p>(Sources: NLM TOXNET, Trioctyl phosphate 1806-54-8 or Tri(2-ethylhexyl)phosphate 78-42-2, HSDB Human Health Effects and</p> |

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| | <p>Animal Toxicity Studies, available at http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov. http://physchem.ox.ac.uk/MSDS/TR/tris(2-ethylhexyl)phosphate.html [as of September 25, 2002] and http://www.ilo.org/public/english/protection/safework/cis/products/icsc/dtasht/_icsc09/_icsc0968.pdf [as of September 25, 2002]).</p> |
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Deseret Test Center Project SHAD

Errand Boy

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The Deseret Test Center (DTC) studied the relative efficiency of shipboard collective protection and ventilation systems against a biological agent-simulant in Eager Belle (DTC Test 63-1). Errand Boy was originally designed as an extension of the Eager Belle and Autumn Gold (DTC Test 63-2) tests to obtain similar data on ships exposed to a toxic environment. DTC selected *Pasteurella tularensis* and *Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis* as representative agents to be used in Errand Boy.

The original objectives of Errand Boy were to determine the degree biological agent aerosols penetrate a ship's interior and the extent of any associated surface contamination hazard under various combinations of shipboard collective protection and ventilation systems; and to evaluate the effectiveness of various decontamination procedures for decontaminating exterior surfaces.

The penetration phase of the test was not conducted. Consequently, the biological agents *Pasteurella tularensis* and *Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis* were not used; however, decontamination procedures were conducted.

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Before each decontamination trial, sample patches impregnated with known numbers of *Bacillus globigii* microorganisms were set out in the ship's zone being tested. Their purpose was to check the effectiveness of the decontamination. Personnel who performed decontamination functions wore impermeable (rubber) clothing. The zone was closed to all other personnel. Teams disseminated betapropiolactone when decontaminating each zone; a standard dissemination time of 80 minutes was employed in all zones.

Seven trials were scheduled for the decontamination phase from September 6 through 13, 1963. An additional trial was conducted on September 17, bringing the total of trials to eight for this test phase which was conducted aboard the USS *George Eastman* (YAG-39), while moored at Buoy X-9 in East Loch, Pearl Harbor, Oahu, Hawaii.

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| Test Name | Errand Boy (DTC 64-1) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | September 6 – 17, 1963 |
| Test Location | Buoy X-9 in East Loch, Pearl Harbor, Oahu, Hawaii |
| Test Operations | To evaluate the effectiveness of various decontamination procedures for decontaminating exterior surfaces. |
| Participating Services | US Army, US Navy, US Air Force, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>George Eastman</i> (YAG-39) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Control sample patches impregnated with known numbers of <i>Bacillus globigii</i> microorganisms were set out in the ship's zone being decontaminated. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Teams disseminated betapropiolactone when decontaminating each zone; a standard dissemination time of 80 minutes was employed in all zones. |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i></u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but |

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always or nearly always in individuals whose health has already been compromised. Long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely (except perhaps as a complication of the acute infection). (Sources: Tuazon CU, *Other Bacillus Species* (chap. 197), in *Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases*, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2220-6; US Environmental Protection Agency, *Bacillus subtilis* Final Risk Assessment, February 1997, available at <http://www.epa.gov> as of October 4, 2002.)

Betapropriolactone

Modern uses for betapropriolactone include vaccines, enzymes, tissue grafts, and surgical instruments; to sterilize blood plasma, water, milk, and nutrient broth; and as a vapor-phase disinfectant in enclosed spaces. Its sporicidal action kills vegetative bacteria, pathogenic fungi, and viruses. The primary routes of potential human exposure to betapropriolactone are inhalation, ingestion, and dermal contact. There is evidence betapropriolactone is a carcinogen; however, the results of animal testing in mice, rats, hamsters, and guinea pigs are questionable due to a lack of controls in the study. An International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) working group reported no data are available to evaluate the carcinogenicity of betapropriolactone in humans. (Source: Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health website: http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov/htdocs/8_RoC/RAC/betapropriolactone.html).

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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

Flower Drum, Phase I

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The purposes of the Flower Drum, Phase I test were to find a simulant to sarin nerve agent, to assess shipboard vulnerability to an enveloping vapor of toxic agent, and to establish comparative penetration properties for sarin nerve agent simulant and actual agent. The USS *George Eastman* (YAG-39) was exposed to candidate sarin nerve agent simulants as well as sarin nerve agent. The ship was enveloped by the test agent disseminated from a gas turbine mounted on the bow of the test ship and by simulated envelopment—direct injection of the test agent into the air supply system.

Trials of candidate simulants sulfur dioxide and methylacetoacetate were run to determine usability as a simulant for sarin nerve agent. Methylacetoacetate was selected and further subjected to comprehensive, comparative tests.

During sarin nerve agent dissemination, the disseminator crew wore M5 protective ensembles and all other personnel (those in the Safety Citadel) wore MK5, M7A1, or M17 protective masks. When dissemination ceased, all personnel whose duties required them to leave the Safety Citadel wore protective masks until the ship was cleared of nerve agent. During the dissemination period of the simulant trials, all personnel wore protective masks. During test periods, the only entrance to or exit from the Safety Citadel was through a decontamination tunnel consisting of a passageway that functioned as an air-sweep tunnel for the decontamination facility and also as one of two primary ventilation exhausts for the Safety Citadel. The passageway was divided into four sections by perforated doors; the doors restricted the rate of airflow and maintained the interior/exterior pressure differential. The decontamination tunnel was outfitted with a gas chamber to be used for a protective mask check, shower facilities (not used during the test of vapor agents), and

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protective equipment and clothing removal facilities. All personnel worked in teams of two or more persons and all teams were checked in and out of the Safety Citadel.

Following the termination of sampling, a full aeration of the ship was accomplished. For the sarin nerve agent trials, aeration of the ship continued until the enzyme ticket test of the M15A1 Detector Kit indicated there was no nerve agent in the exhaust air. When negative results were obtained at the exhaust vents, properly protected personnel confirmed the absence of sarin nerve agent within each area—again using the enzyme ticket test of the M15A1 Detector Kit.

Flower Drum, Phase I, tests were conducted in the Pacific Ocean, off the coast of Hawaii, over the periods February through April and August through September 1964.

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| Test Name | Flower Drum, Phase I (Test 64-2) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | February through April and August through September 1964 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted in the Pacific Ocean, off the coast of Hawaii. |
| Test Operations | To find a simulant to sarin nerve agent, to assess shipboard vulnerability to an enveloping vapor of toxic agent, and to establish comparative penetration properties for sarin nerve agent simulant and agent. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>George Eastman</i> (YAG-39) USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> (YAG-40) |
| Dissemination Procedures | The ship was enveloped by test agent disseminated from a modified Model T-45M-2 MARS Portable Gas Turbine mounted on the bow of the test ship and by simulated envelopment—direct injection of test agent into the air supply system. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Sarin (GB) Sulfur dioxide (SO ₂) Methylacetoacetate (MAA) |

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| Ancillary Testing | E4I V-G Agent Alarm System Hydrogen Flame Emission Detector (HYFED) Passive Long Path Infrared (LOPAIR) advance warning alarm |
| Decontamination | A decontamination tunnel was used during test periods. |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <p><u>Sarin (GB)</u> Sarin gas is classified by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as a volatile and lethal nerve agent. Occupational Exposure limits are .0001mg/m³. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. Symptoms may occur within minutes depending on dose and include runny nose, watery eyes, drooling, tightness of the chest, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, nausea, vomiting, cramps, loss of bladder/bowel control, twitching, jerking, staggering, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding prolonged exposures to low levels and no information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. Rapid decontamination is critical and administration of atropine every 5-10 minutes is necessary until symptoms are minimized. Complete recovery can take months and permanent damage to central nervous system is possible.</p> <p>(Source: http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/Sarin/Sarin.asp [as of February 13, 2002]).</p> <p><u>Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂)</u> Sulfur dioxide is a strong irritant of the lungs and throat. Internal exposure causes headache, dizziness, nausea, wheezing, and cough. External exposure causes severe irritation of eyes, nose, throat, and blisters on skin. Exposures to sulfur dioxide may lawfully range from 0 to 5 parts per million (ppm) of air. Exposure to 100 ppm of</p> |

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| | <p>sulfur dioxide is considered immediately dangerous to life and health.</p> <p>(Source: ATSDR Toxicological Profile for Sulfur Dioxide www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxprofiles/tp116.html [as of February 13, 2002]).</p> <p>Methylacetoacetate (Synonyms: methyl acetoacetate, acetoacetic acid, methyl ester)</p> <p>Potential health effects consist of low to moderate eye, skin and respiratory tract irritation and possible gastrointestinal irritation with nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. EPA does not consider methylacetoacetate to be a hazardous material. It is not a known carcinogen.</p> <p>(Sources: http://hazard.com/msds/tox/f/q4/q936.html [as of January 28, 2002] and http://www.hbcollege/chem/lab/organic/gilbert3e/resources/studenttools/dl/e_mmsds.pdf)</p> |
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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

Flower Drum, Phase II

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The primary purpose of the Flower Drum, Phase II, test was to determine the effectiveness of a shipboard water washdown system as a protective and decontaminant measure against simulated aerial delivery of VX nerve agent spray.

The US Navy Covered Lighter (Barge), YFN-811, was used as the platform for the test. During the test trials, the barge was towed by the US Navy Tug, ATF 105. It was towed approximately one kilometer behind the tug. A spray device on the barge disseminated agent or simulant onto the barge during tests.

A dyed liquid containing approximately 90 percent VX nerve agent (by weight) was used in this program. To assist in taking radiometric measurements of contamination, radioactive "tagged VX nerve agent" molecules containing a radioactive isotope, Phosphorous 32, were included in the agent. In addition to VX nerve agent, a simulant, Bis (2 ethyl-hexyl) hydrogen phosphite was used in this test.

Flower Drum, Phase II, tests were conducted at sea during November and December 1964, off the coast of Hawaii.

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| Test Name | Flower Drum, Phase II (Test 64-2) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | November and December 1964 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted in the Pacific Ocean, off the coast of Hawaii. |
| Test Operations | To determine the effectiveness of a shipboard water washdown system as a protective and decontaminant measure against simulated aerial delivery of VX nerve agent spray. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, plus Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | US Navy Covered Lighter (Barge), YFN-811 US Navy Tug, ATF-105 |
| Dissemination Procedures | A dyed liquid containing approximately 90 percent VX nerve agent (by weight) was sprayed onto the barge. To assist in taking radiometric measurements of contamination, radioactive "tagged VX nerve agent" molecules containing a radioactive isotope, Phosphorous 32, were included in the agent. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | VX nerve agent VX nerve agent containing radioactive isotope, Phosphorous 32 Bis (2 ethyl-hexyl) hydrogen phosphite |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Water washdown system |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>VX Nerve Agent</u> – Lethal Nerve Agent (Synonyms: Phosphonothioic acid, VX): VX is an extremely lethal nerve agent. It is an oily liquid that is clear, odorless and tasteless. Death usually occurs within 10-15 minutes after absorption of a fatal dosage. VX nerve agent is one of the most toxic substances ever synthesized. Symptoms of overexposure may occur within minutes or hours, depending upon the dose. They include: miosis (constriction of pupils) and visual effects, headaches and pressure sensation, runny nose and nasal congestion, salivation, tightness in the chest, nausea, vomiting, giddiness, anxiety, difficulty in |

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| | <p>thinking, difficulty sleeping, nightmares, muscle twitches, tremors, weakness, abdominal cramps, diarrhea, involuntary urination and defecation. With severe exposure symptoms progress to convulsions and respiratory failure. The permissible airborne exposure concentration for VX nerve agent in any 8-hour work shift can be found in Department of the Army Pamphlet 40-8. To date, however, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration has not promulgated a permissible exposure concentration for VX nerve agent.</p> <p>(Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/VX/ctc0006.asp [as of January 25, 2002]. <i>SBCCOM Online</i>, Edgewood Chemical Biological Center [ECBC], http://www.sbccom.apgea.army.mil/RDA/msds/vx.htm [as of April 2, 2002]. Department of Sustainable Development and Environmental Protection, http://209.61.192.180/phe/factsheet_5.htm [as of April 2, 2002]). Department of the Army Pamphlet 40-8: Occupational Health Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Occupational Exposure to Nerve Agents GA, GB, GD, and VX, http://books.army.mil:80/cgi-bin/bookmgr/BOOKS/P40_8/CCONTENTS [as of February 5, 2002]).</p> <p><u>Phosphorous 32</u></p> <p>Phosphorous 32 is one of the highest energy beta-emitting radionuclides commonly used in biomedical research. In general Phosphorous 32 does not pose a severe threat from ingestion or inhalation. High energy betas from Phosphorous 32 pose an external (skin and lens of the eye) dose hazard, as well as a potential internal hazard. Radiogenic health effects (primarily cancer) are observed in humans only at doses in excess of 10 rem delivered at high dose rates. Below this dose, estimation of adverse health effects is speculative. Exposure can contribute to development of cancer.</p> <p>(Sources: Environmental Protection Agency, http://www.epa.gov/radiation/heat/docs/heat2_table_4-d2_0401.pdf [as of February 28, 2002], Harvard University, http://www.uos.harvard.edu/ehs/radsafety/gui_p32.shtml [as of February 28, 2002] Cornell University, http://msds.pdc.cornell.edu/msds/siri/msds/h/q428/q236.html [as of February 28, 2002]. Office of Radiation, Chemical and Biological Safety,</p> |
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| | <p>MSU. http://www.orcbs.msu.edu/radiation/radsaf.html [as of February 28, 2002] University of California, Davis, http://ehs.ucdavis.edu/hp/shi/haz_sh.html [as of February 28, 12002]. University of Iowa, http://www.uiowa.edu/~hpo/facts/P32.htm [as of February 28, 2002]).</p> <p><u>Bis (2 ethyl-hexyl) hydrogen phosphite</u> May be harmful by inhalation, ingestion, or skin absorption. Vapor or mist can be irritating to the eyes, mucous membranes, and upper respiratory tract. It can also cause skin irritation. It is not carcinogenic and there are no chronic exposure hazards. (Source: Cornell University, http://msds.pdc.cornell.edu/msds/siri/msds/h/q324/q431.html [as of February 28, 2002]).</p> |
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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

Shady Grove

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was a program encompassing several tests undertaken in the 1960s to learn the vulnerabilities of US warships to an attack with chemical or biological warfare agents and develop procedures to respond to such an attack while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

Shady Grove testing, conducted in the Pacific Ocean in 1965, was an extension of the Autumn Gold test series. The primary difference between Autumn Gold and Shady Grove is that in the latter tests actual agents were used in addition to simulants.

The crews who participated in Shady Grove were not test subjects, but test conductors. Participants should have been fully informed of the details of each test. Before testing began, all persons involved in Shady Grove should have received comprehensive biological and chemical agent training. Trial tests conducted before the actual test should have reinforced the training already received and ensured everyone involved knew their role in the test. The training program should have included training in these areas: using protective masks and clothing, medical training and immunizations, knowledge of chemical and biological agents and simulants, and knowledge of test procedures and processes. Under actual test conditions, test conductors should have worn appropriate nuclear, biological, and chemical (NBC) protective equipment and should have taken extensive safety precautions to prevent any adverse health effects from the testing.

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| Test Name | Shady Grove (Test 64-4) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | January 22 through April 9, 1965 |
| Test Location | Various open water locations of the Pacific Ocean |
| Test Operations | <p>Target ship operated under three different readiness conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Normal steaming conditions—full ventilation 2. Battle or near-battle condition 3. Chemical or biological attack expected |
| Participating Services | US Navy, US Marines, plus Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | <p>A. USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> (YAG-40)</p> <p>B. Army light tugs 2080, 2081, 2085, 2086, and 2087, all staffed by USN personnel</p> <p>C. Marine Air Group 13, First Marine Brigade</p> |
| Dissemination Procedures | Sprayed from A4B aircraft |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <p><u>Bacillus globigii (BG).</u> Harmless to humans, BG is ubiquitous and easily found in samplings of wind-borne dust. BG is safely used in biological studies as a stand-in for pathogenic bacteria. BG is used as a biological tracer for anthrax because its particle size and dispersal characteristics are similar to those of anthrax. A household bleach and water solution easily kills BG.</p> <p><u>Coxiella burnetii (OU).</u> Until the stockpile was destroyed in 1972, OU was part of the US biological weapons stockpile. OU causes Q fever in humans. Domestic animals (cattle, sheep, and goats), cats, wild animals, and ticks usually host OU. Humans become infected after contact with contaminated materials (feces, blood, placenta, etc.); inhaling contaminated dust or droplets; or ingesting contaminated food or raw (unpasteurized) milk. Symptoms of the disease include fever, headache,</p> |

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| | <p>muscle pains, joint pain (arthralgia), and a dry, on-productive cough. Hepatitis or pneumonia also may develop during the early stages of the disease. In rare occurrences, Q fever can cause severe complications in the aortic heart valve (and subsequent endocarditis). Generally, victims recover even without treatment. However, complications, if they ensue, can be very serious and sometimes even life-threatening. (Sources: Mitretek Systems web site http://www.mitretek.org/mission/envene/biological/agents/rickettsia.html and Dr. Koop's web site http://www.drkoop.com/conditions/ency/</p> <p><u>Pasteurella tularensis (UL).</u></p> <p>UL causes the infectious disease tularemia (rabbit fever, deer fly fever, Ohara's disease), most commonly in people who handle infected wild rabbits. Other infected animals, ticks, or contaminated food or water also transmit tularemia. The symptoms, high fever and severe constitutional distress, appear suddenly within 10 days of exposure. One (or more) ulcerating lesion develops at the site of infection, such as the arm, eye, or mouth. The regional lymph nodes enlarge, suppurate, and drain. Pneumonia, meningitis, or peritonitis may complicate the infection, whose mortality rate is about 6 percent. (Sources: Colorado State University, Environmental Health Services web site http://www.ehs.colostate.edu/biosafety/LARmanual/tular.htm and The Columbia Encyclopedia, 6th ed., New York: Columbia University Press, 2001, web site http://www.bartleby.com/65/tu/tularemi.html/.</p> |
| Ancillary Testing | Aero 14-B spray tank |
| Decontamination | Not identified |



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Night Train

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The primary purpose of Night Train was to study the penetration of an arctic inversion by a biological aerosol cloud. A secondary purpose was to study the downwind travel and diffusion of this cloud when disseminated into different arctic meteorological regimes.

A total of 14 trials were conducted in which the biological simulant *Bacillus globigii* was released from an A/B45Y-1 spray tank carried on an F-105 or F-100 aircraft. Four trials were surface trials in which dry *Bacillus globigii* was disseminated from the rear of a moving, M116 Personnel Carrier. In addition, biological release was accompanied by the release of two colors (yellow and green) of fluorescent particles of zinc cadmium sulfide. The fluorescent particles were released from contractor-flown aircraft. The yellow fluorescent particles were disseminated from an Aero Commander aircraft; the green fluorescent particles from a Cessna 180.

Night Train was conducted in the vicinity of Fort Greely, Alaska during the period November 30, 1963 to January 8, 1964.

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| Test Name | Night Train (DTC Test 64-5) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | November 30, 1963 – January 8, 1964 |
| Test Location | Near Fort Greely, Alaska |
| Test Operations | To obtain data on the downwind travel of a biological agent simulant under arctic conditions, when disseminated from the A/B 45Y-1 wet biological spray tank mounted on an operational aircraft and when sprayed from a tracked vehicle mounted dissemination device. |
| Participating Services | US Army, US Air Force, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Biological simulant <i>Bacillus globigii</i> was released from an A/B45Y-1 spray tank carried on an F-105 or F-100 aircraft. In surface trials, <i>Bacillus globigii</i> was disseminated from the rear of a moving, tracked vehicle. Fluorescent particles were released from contractor-flown aircraft (Aero Commander - yellow particles and Cessna 180 - green particles). |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> , Zinc Cadmium Sulfide |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i> (BG)</u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the |

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Yellow Leaf

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The first objective of the Yellow Leaf test was to determine the effectiveness of the M143 bomblet when employed against targets in a jungle environment. The second objective was to determine mathematically, and based on data obtained from the Yellow Leaf test, the area coverage to be expected from the detonation of a US Navy MISTEYE I weapons system or a US Army SERGEANT M211 biological warhead over a jungle canopy. An additional objective was to gather information relative to the effects of precipitation on a biological aerosol moving under a jungle canopy.

Yellow Leaf, Phase A was conducted to measure height of burst characteristics for the M143 bomblet. Bomblets filled with tiara, a gelatinous simulant that fluoresces, were individually fired into jungle canopy. There were 185 Phase A trials conducted on the Fort Sherman Military Reservation, Panama Canal Zone and an additional 100 Phase A trials conducted on the Island of Hawaii. Phase B, conducted on the Island of Hawaii, consisted of 20 trials to measure cloud diffusion characteristics under a jungle canopy. The biological simulant *Bacillus globigii* was used as fill in the M143 bomblets detonated during the Phase B trials.

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Initial testing was conducted in February 1964 at the Fort Sherman Military Reservation, Panama Canal Zone. However, before Yellow Leaf trials could be completed, international considerations forced the Deseret Test Center to terminate the testing program at that location. To complete the program, a substitute jungle site was chosen on the Island of Hawaii. The remaining trials were conducted on the Island of Hawaii in the Olaa Forest, southwest of Hilo during April and May 1966.

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| Test Name | Yellow Leaf (DTC Test 64-6) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | February 1964 (Panama Canal Zone) April – May 1966 (Hawaii) |
| Test Location | Fort Sherman Military Reservation, Panama Canal Zone (February 1964) Island of Hawaii (April – May 1966) |
| Test Operations | To measure burst height and cloud diffusion characteristics of the M143 bomblet when released into a jungle canopy. |
| Participating Services | Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | M143 bomblets statically detonated above jungle canopy. |
| Agents | Not used |
| Simulants and Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> (Hawaii) Tiara (Panama Canal Zone and Hawaii) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i> (BG)</u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but |

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Tall Timber

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The purpose of Tall Timber was to test the effectiveness of the M138 bomblet filled with agent BZ in a tropical forested environment. BZ is a code name for an ester of benzoic acid. The chemical affects the human mind causing those contaminated to be unable to perform an assignment or have a reduced will to resist for a short period of time.

M138 bomblets filled with agent BZ were statically-ignited in a test area in the upper Waiakea Forest Reserve, southwest of Hilo, on the island of Hawaii during the period April through June 1966.

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| Test Name | Tall Timber (DTC Test 64-8) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | April – June 1966 |
| Test Location | Island of Hawaii |
| Test Operations | To test the effectiveness of the BZ-agent filled M138 bomblet in a tropical forested environment. |
| Participating Services | Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Statically-ignited M138 bomblets filled with agent BZ |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Ester of benzilic acid (BZ) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <p><u>Ester of benzilic acid (Agent BZ)</u> This chemical is an incapacitating agent designed to cause stupor, confusion, and hallucinations when inhaled or absorbed through the skin. It is a white powder and may irritate the eyes, skin, and digestive and respiratory tracts, if inhaled or ingested. While some effects may last several days or weeks, long-term or late-developing health effects have not been documented and seem unlikely.</p> <p>(Source: Incapacitating Agents (chap. 5), in US Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense, Medical Management of Chemical Casualties Handbook, 3rd edition, 1998; Ketchum JS, Sidell FR Incapacitating Agents (chap. 11), in ed. Zajtcuk R., Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1), Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological</p> |

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| | <p>Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997.</p> <p>http://www.fas.org/nuke/guide/russia/cbw/jptac008_194001.html [as of September 25, 2002].)</p> |
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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) Copper Head

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was a program encompassing several tests undertaken in the 1960s to learn the vulnerabilities of US warships to an attack with chemical or biological warfare agents and develop procedures to respond to such an attack while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

Copper Head testing was similar to Autumn Gold testing in that the test used simulants only. The primary difference between Copper Head and Autumn Gold was Copper Head was designed to use simulants to learn biological agents' characteristics in frigid temperatures. Copper Head was conducted in international waters in the North Atlantic.

The crews who participated in Copper Head were not test subjects, but test conductors. Participants should have been fully informed of the details of each test. Before testing began, all persons involved in Copper Head should have received comprehensive biological and chemical agent training. Trial tests conducted before the actual test should have reinforced the training already received and ensured everyone involved knew their role in the test. The training program should have included training in these areas: using protective masks and clothing, medical training and immunizations, knowledge of chemical and biological agents and simulants, and knowledge of test procedures and processes. Under actual test conditions, test conductors should have worn appropriate nuclear, biological, and chemical (NBC) protective equipment and should have taken extensive safety precautions to prevent any adverse health effects from the testing.

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COPPER HEAD

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| Test Name | Copper Head (Test 65-1) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | January 24 through February 25, 1965 |
| Test Location | Atlantic Ocean, off the coast of Newfoundland, Canada |
| Test Operations | Target ship was operated under three different readiness conditions: A. Normal steaming conditions — full ventilation B. Battle or near-battle condition C. Chemical and biological attack expected |
| Participating Services | US Navy, US Marines, plus Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS Power (DD-839) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Sprayed from A4B aircraft. |
| Dissemination Procedures | Dissemination in all trials was from E2-type nozzles with suitable pressurizing equipment. Above canopy releases were made from a 32-meter tower using equipment and procedures similar to ground-release trials. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> (BG) <i>Serratia marcescens</i> (SM) <i>Escherichia coli</i> Fluorescent particles (FP) |
| Ancillary Testing | Aero 14-B spray tank |
| Decontamination | Exterior: Not documented. Interior: Betapropiolactone (b-Propiolactone). Modern uses for b-propiolactone include vaccines, enzymes, tissue grafts, and surgical instruments; to sterilize blood plasma, water, milk, and nutrient broth; and as a vapor-phase disinfectant in enclosed spaces. Its sporicidal action kills vegetative bacteria, pathogenic fungi, and viruses. The primary routes of potential human exposure to b-propiolactone are inhalation, ingestion, and dermal contact. There is |

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| | <p>evidence b-propiolactone is a carcinogen. However, the results of animal testing in mice, rats, hamsters, and guinea pigs are questionable due to a lack of controls in the study. An International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) working group reported no data are available to evaluate the carcinogenicity of b-propiolactone in humans. (Source: Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health web site: http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov/htdocs/8_RoC/RAC/betaPropiolactone.html.)</p> |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <p><u>Bacillus globigii (BG).</u> Harmless to humans, BG is ubiquitous and easily found in samplings of wind-borne dust. BG is safely used in biological studies as a stand-in for pathogenic bacteria. BG is used as a biological tracer for anthrax because its particle size and dispersal characteristics are similar to those of anthrax. A household bleach and water solution easily kills BG.</p> <p><u>Zinc Cadmium Sulfide (FP – fluorescent particle).</u> Zinc cadmium sulfide is an inorganic compound. Although it is not a biologic weapon, it is used as a tracer to simulate biological weapons' dispersion in various environments. In the early 90's, in response to concerns about cancer and infertility, the National Research Council studied the compound's long-term effects. The Council's findings indicate zinc cadmium sulfide is not harmful to humans. It is a stable compound; strong acids dissolve it only slightly. Because zinc cadmium sulfide does not dissolve in water or fats, it is unlikely it can enter the body through cutaneous contact or inhalation. Cadmium is the most toxic element of the compound. Humans are exposed to cadmium naturally in water, air, food, soil and house dust. It enters the air from burned coal and household waste. There have been no studies on the toxic effects of</p> |

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| | <p>repeated exposure to zinc cadmium sulfide. The National Research Council devised a worst-case scenario: if exposure to zinc cadmium sulfide has the same effect as exposure to an equal amount of cadmium, repeated exposures to zinc cadmium sulfide could be toxic to kidneys and bones and cause lung cancer. Currently, no medical test determines exposure to zinc cadmium sulfide. However, tests are available to determine cadmium exposure. After 30 to 40 years it would be hard to identify people exposed or affected and determine their past exposures to zinc cadmium sulfide.</p> <p>(Source: National Academy Press, Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests, 1997, web site: http://books.nap.edu/books/0309057833/html/R13.html#pagetop.)</p> |
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West Side, Phase I

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The purpose of West Side, Phase I was to evaluate the A/B 45Y-4 dry agent disseminator in a frigid environment. The A/B 45Y-4 was wing-mounted on an F-105D aircraft. Specifically, the objectives of the test were to evaluate the source strength, dissemination efficiency, and functional characteristics of the dry disseminator with the simulant *Bacillus globigii*, and to measure the diffusion of particulate biological aerosols disseminated by line source in a cold-weather test environment. To aid this investigation, two tracer materials – green and yellow zinc cadmium sulfide (FP) – were disseminated from a light aircraft under similar test conditions.

West Side, Phase I was conducted in the Tanana Valley of central Alaska, near Fort Greely, during the period January 8 through February 21, 1965.

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WEST SIDE, PHASE I
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| Test Name | West Side, Phase I (DTC Test 65-3) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | January 8 – February 21, 1965 |
| Test Location | Tanana Valley of central Alaska near Fort Greely |
| Test Operations | To evaluate the A/B 45Y-4 dry agent disseminator in a frigid environment. |
| Participating Services | US Army, US Air Force, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Tracer material sprayed from an A/B 45Y 4 disseminator tank mounted on an F 105D aircraft. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> Zinc Cadmium Sulfide (FP) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i></u> (BG) Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but always or nearly always in individuals whose health has already been compromised. Long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely (except perhaps as a complication of the acute infection). |

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Deseret Test Center Project SHAD

Magic Sword

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' and ashore installations' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The purpose of Magic Sword was to study the feasibility of an offshore release of *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes and to obtain information on mosquito biting habits, mosquito trap technology, and operational and logistical problems associated with the delivery of mosquitoes to remote sites.

The *Aedes aegypti* mosquito is a main vector for various infectious diseases, including dengue and yellow fevers.

Uninfected mosquitoes were released from the USS *George Eastman* (YAG-39), off the coast of Baker Island and traps were placed on the island as part of the test. As part of an onshore biting study, volunteers were placed at specific locations and a designated number of vectors were released centrally. Volunteers recorded the number of bites received.

A thermal fog generator was used to eradicate the mosquito population on the island at the conclusion of the test. Mosquitoes were eradicated aboard ship through a combination of high heat and insecticide.

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MAGIC SWORD

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| Test Name | Magic Sword (DTC Test 65-4) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | May 1965 |
| Test Location | In the Pacific Ocean, on or in the vicinity of Baker Island |
| Test Operations | To study the feasibility of an offshore release of <i>Aedes aegypti</i> mosquitoes and to obtain information on mosquito biting habits, mosquito trap technology, and operational and logistical problems associated with the delivery of mosquitoes to remote sites. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>George Eastman</i> (YAG-39) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Mosquitoes were released from the USS <i>George Eastman</i> near the coast of Baker Island. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Uninfected <i>Aedes aegypti</i> (mosquitoes). |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified. |
| Decontamination | A thermal fog generator was used to eradicate the mosquito population on the island at the conclusion of the test. Mosquitoes were eradicated aboard ship through a combination of high heat and insecticide. |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Aedes aegypti</i> mosquitoes</u> <i>Aedes aegypti</i> mosquitoes used in this test were not infected. Health effects at the time would be the usual swelling and irritation associated with mosquito bites. No long-term or latent effects would be expected. |

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Deseret Test Center Project SHAD

Big Tom

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The purpose of Big Tom was to evaluate the feasibility of a biological attack against an island complex and to evaluate doctrine and tactics for delivery of such an attack.

Test personnel investigated the diffusion and downwind travel of biological simulant and tracer aerosols; estimated area coverage in both jungle and surrounding tropical terrain; investigated the degree of aerosol penetration of a jungle canopy, ventilation rate, and time resolution of aerosols; and, investigated the degree of penetration and aerosol time resolution of typical fortifications.

The test consisted of a series of line-source trials during which a biological simulant, *Bacillus globigii*, was disseminated from a high performance aircraft and from the US Navy fleet submarine, USS *Carbonero* (SS-337). Both liquid and dry *Bacillus globigii* were used in

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BIG TOM UPDATE

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this test. Liquid *Bacillus globigii* was disseminated from an Aero 14B spray tank mounted on a US Navy A-4 aircraft. Dry *Bacillus globigii* was disseminated from an A/B Y45-4 spray tank mounted on a US Air Force F-105 aircraft. *Bacillus globigii* was released from the USS *Carbonero* using a submarine-biological-disseminator. Aerosol sampling was done at various land-based stations.

For this test, a contractor-flown Aero Commander aircraft also released two colors (yellow and green) of fluorescent particles of zinc cadmium sulfide (FP).

Big Tom was conducted on the island of Oahu, Hawaii and its surrounding waters and airspace during May and June 1965*.

* This fact sheet was updated to include the participation of the USS *Carbonero* (SS-337).

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BIG TOM UPDATE

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| Test Name | Big Tom (DTC Test 65-6) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | May – June 1965 |
| Test Location | Oahu, Hawaii, and surrounding waters and airspace |
| Test Operations | To evaluate the feasibility of a biological attack against an island complex and to evaluate doctrine and tactics for delivery of such an attack. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, US Marine Corps, US Air Force, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> (YAG-40) USS <i>Carbonero</i> (SS-337) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Liquid <i>Bacillus globigii</i> was disseminated from an Aero 14B spray tank mounted on a US Navy A-4 aircraft; dry <i>Bacillus globigii</i> was disseminated from an A/B Y45-4 spray tank mounted on a US Air Force F-105 aircraft. <i>Bacillus globigii</i> was also released from a specially equipped fleet submarine using a submarine-biological-disseminator. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> Zinc Cadmium Sulfide |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i></u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the |

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environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but always or nearly always in individuals whose health has already been compromised. Long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely (except perhaps as a complication of the acute infection). (Sources: Tuazon CU, *Other Bacillus Species* (chap. 197), in *Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases*, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2220-6; US Environmental Protection Agency, *Bacillus subtilis* Final Risk Assessment, February 1997, available at <http://www.epa.gov> as of October 4, 2002.)

Zinc cadmium sulfide

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Sun Down

Shortly after President Kennedy's inauguration in 1961, the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara, directed that a total review of the U.S. military be undertaken. The study consisted of 150 separate projects. The chemical and biological warfare review was known as Project 112. As part of the Project 112 review, the Joint Chiefs of Staff convened a working committee that recommended a research, testing, and development program for chemical and biological weapons. To oversee this program, the Deseret Test Center was established at Fort Douglas, Utah, in 1962. Both land-based and ship-based tests were conducted during the period 1962 – 1973. The Deseret Test Center closed in 1973.

The purpose of Sun Down was to evaluate simulant and sarin-filled BLU-19/B23 bomblets in forested and open terrain with snow cover at temperatures between -18°C and -1°C.

Trials were conducted using BLU-19/B23 bomblets filled with methylacetoacetate, tiara, and sarin nerve agent. Bomblets filled with methylacetoacetate were both statically detonated under snow and projected into an open, snow-covered area to determine their depth of detonation in the snow. Bomblets filled with tiara were fired into a spruce forest to determine height of detonation. Five sarin-filled BLU-19/B23 bomblets were statically detonated.

Sun Down was conducted at the Gerstle River test site on Fort Greely, Alaska during February and April 1966.

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| Test Name | Sun Down (DTC Test 65-11) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | February, April 1966 |
| Test Location | Gerstle River test site, Fort Greely, Alaska |
| Test Operations | To evaluate the simulant and sarin-filled BLU-19/B23 bomblet in forested and open terrain with snow cover at temperatures between -18°C and -1°C. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Desert Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Bomblets were statically detonated as well as projected into the open to determine depth and height of detonations. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Sarin Nerve Agent Methylacetoacetate Tiara |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Sarin Nerve Agent</u> (GB) Sarin gas is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, human symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery eyes, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. No information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. An Institute of |

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| | <p>Medicine committee concluded that there was insufficient evidence for or against an association between low-level sarin exposure and long-term health effects.</p> <p>(Sources: http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/Sarin/Sarin.asp [as of February 13, 2002] Institute of Medicine (National Academies), Gulf War and Health (vol.1): Depleted Uranium, Pyridostigmine Bromide, Sarin, Vaccines. National Academy Press, Washington DC, 2000.)</p> <p><u>Methylacetoacetate (MAA)</u> This compound was used as a simulant. While acute exposure has been associated with irritation of skin, eyes, respiratory tract, and digestive tract, there is little or no evidence of long-term or late-developing health effects and it is not known to cause cancer in animal testing.</p> <p>(Sources: NLM TOXNET, Methyl acetoacetate 105-45-3, HSDB Human Health Effects and Animal Toxicity Studies, available at http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov http://hazard.com/msds/tox/f/q4/q936.html [as of January 28, 2002] and http://www.hbcollge/chem/lab/organic/gilbert3e/resources/studenttools/dl/e_mmsds.pdf)</p> <p><u>Tiara</u> is a luminescent gelatinous material. No further information is available on this substance.</p> |
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Devil Hole, Phase I

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Devil Hole, Phase I was conducted in temperate aspen and spruce forests to determine area-time-dosage information for Sarin nerve agent-filled artillery munitions (M121A1 155mm shells) and Sarin nerve agent-filled rocket warheads (M55 115 mm warheads.) Particulate simulants were used to study airflow patterns at the intersection of a spruce forest with open terrain. During the preliminary diffusion trials of the test, zinc cadmium sulfide (FP) was used as a particulate substitute for Sarin nerve agent. The fluorescent particles used in this test were of two colors, green and yellow.

Single static and single and multiple dynamic detonations were conducted with the M121A1 artillery shells. Testing of the M55 115mm rocket warhead was limited to single static detonations.

Safety equipment – such as protective clothing, protective masks, barriers, etc. – was used during the test as conditions dictated.

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DEVIL HOLE, PHASE I

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All Devil Hole, Phase I trials were conducted in forested terrain at the Gerstle River test site in the vicinity of Fort Greely, Alaska during the summer of 1965.

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DEVIL HOLE, PHASE I
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| Test Name | Devil Hole, Phase I (DTC Test 65-12) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | Summer 1965 |
| Test Location | Gerstle River test site, near Fort Greely, Alaska |
| Test Operations | To determine area-time-dosage information for Sarin nerve agent-filled artillery munitions and rocket warheads detonated in a temperate forested terrain. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Single static and single and multiple-round detonations of Sarin-filled M121A1 artillery shells and single static detonations of Sarin-filled M55 rocket warheads. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Sarin Nerve Agent Zinc Cadmium Sulfide (FP) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Sarin Nerve Agent (GB)</u> Sarin gas is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, human symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery eyes, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. No information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. An |

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| | <p>Institute of Medicine committee concluded that there was insufficient evidence for or against an association between low-level sarin exposure and long-term health effects.</p> <p>(Sources: http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/Sarin/Sarin.asp [as of February 13, 2002] Institute of Medicine (National Academies), Gulf War and Health (vol.1): Depleted Uranium, Pyridostigmine Bromide, Sarin, Vaccines. National Academy Press, Washington DC, 2000.)</p> <p><u>Zinc cadmium sulfide (ZCdS)</u></p> <p>This compound was aerosolized as a tracer material for the dispersion of biological warfare agents because it had similar properties. There has been little scientific study on the toxicity of this compound when inhaled. A National Research Council (NRC) committee focused on the cadmium component as potentially most toxic. While higher concentrations and more prolonged exposures to cadmium are associated with the development of lung cancer, the concentrations and durations of exposure in the Army's tests were substantially lower. The NRC committee concluded that the risk of adverse health effects to populations in the area was low.</p> <p>(Sources: National Research Council (National Academies), Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests, and Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests: Answers to Commonly Asked Questions, National Academy Press, Washington DC, 1997, both available at http://www.nap.edu as of October 1, 2002.)</p> |
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High Low

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The primary purpose of the High Low test was to assess the vulnerability of ships to an enveloping cloud of toxic G-series nerve agent. The test had two primary objectives. Objective one was to investigate the penetration of a simulant for the nerve agent Sarin (GB) into four types of naval ships operating at sea. Objective two was to estimate the penetration of Sarin into the four types of operational naval ships by evaluating the results of Objective one in conjunction with the Sarin/Sarin-simulant relationship established in Flower Drum, Phase I (DTC Test 64-2). This was done mathematically, no Sarin was used in this test.

Methylacetoacetate was used to simulate Sarin nerve agent. The simulant was disseminated from a modified Model T-45M-2 MARS Portable Gas Turbine located on the bow of the test ship. All personnel (ships' crews and civilian test personnel) were instructed in the use of protective masks, and masks were worn by personnel directly exposed to significant quantities of methylacetoacetate.

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HIGH LOW
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The ships which operated in High Low were the USS *Berkely* (DDG-15), the USS *Fechteler* (DD-870), the USS *Okanogan* (APA-220), and the USS *Wexford County* (LST-1168).

High Low tests were conducted in the Pacific Ocean off the coast of San Diego, California, during the period January 11 through February 26, 1965*.

* The 1966 date from the declassified Deseret Test Center final report and originally published in the October 9, 2002, fact sheet for High Low was in error. A review of the ships' logs confirmed that High Low was conducted in 1965.

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| Test Name | High Low (DTC Test 65-13) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | January 11 – February 26, 1965 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted in the Pacific Ocean, off the coast of San Diego, California |
| Test Operations | To assess the vulnerability of ships to an enveloping cloud of toxic G-series nerve agent. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>Berkely</i> (DDG-15) Feb. 8 - 11 & 15, 1965 USS <i>Fechter</i> (DD-87) Feb. 23 - 26, 1965 USS <i>Okanogan</i> (APA-220) Jan. 25 - 28, 1965 & Feb. 1 - 2, 1965 USS <i>Wexford County</i> (LST-1168) Jan. 11 - 15, 1965 & Jan. 18 - 19, 1965 |
| Dissemination Procedures | Agent cloud was generated by dissemination from a modified Model T-45M-2 MARS Portable Gas Turbine located on the bow of the test ship. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Methylacetoacetate |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Methylacetoacetate (MAA)</u> This compound was used as a simulant. While acute exposure has been associated with irritation of skin, eyes, respiratory tract, and digestive tract, there is little or no evidence of long-term or late-developing health effects and it is not known to cause cancer in animal testing. |

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| | <p>(Sources: NLM TOXNET, Methyl acetoacetate 105-45-3, HSDB Human Health Effects and Animal Toxicity Studies, available at http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov and http://hazard.com/msds/tox/f/q4/q936.html [as of January 28, 2002] and http://www.hbcollege/chem/lab/organic/gilbert3e/resources/studenttools/dl/e_mmsds.pdf</p> |
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Elk Hunt, Phase I

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The Elk Hunt, Phase I tests were designed to determine the amount of either standard or modified VX nerve agent picked up on the clothing of personnel traversing various types of contaminated terrain. The tests examined the length of time a barrier is effective in producing casualties. Elk Hunt, Phase I also compared pickup of agent when M23 mines filled with standard and modified VX nerve agent were detonated under water and under ground.

In Elk Hunt, Phase I, standard or modified VX nerve agent was disseminated from M23 mines detonated under ground in three types of terrain – shrubbery, wooded, and ground covered in rye grass – and under water. Personnel, assuming various tactical positions, traversed the contaminated test grids at specified times and the amount of VX picked up on their clothing was measured. Personnel wore complete, impermeable, butyl-rubber outfits and M9A1 masks.

Twenty trials were conducted in the vicinity of Fort Greely, Alaska from July 3 through August 15, 1964.

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| Test Name | Elk Hunt, Phase I (DTC Test 65-14) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | July 3 – August 15, 1964 |
| Test Location | Fort Greely, Alaska |
| Test Operations | To determine the amount of either standard or modified VX nerve agent picked up on the clothing of personnel traversing various types of contaminated terrain. To determine the length of time a barrier is effective in producing casualties. To compare pickup of agent when M23 mines filled with standard and modified VX are detonated under ground and under water. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Selected personnel assigned to HHC, 171st Infantry Brigade, 15th Artillery Battalion, 40th Armor Battalion, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry, 1st Battalion, 47th Infantry, 538th Ordnance Company (Direct Support) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Standard or modified VX was disseminated from M23 mines detonated under ground and under water. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | VX Nerve Agent Modified VX Nerve Agent (one percent polyisobutyl-methacrylate added as thickener) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
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| <p>Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers</p> | <p><u>VX Nerve Agent</u> – (Synonyms: Phosphonothioic acid, VX)</p> <p>VX nerve agent is extremely lethal. It is an oily liquid that is clear, odorless, and tasteless. Death usually occurs within 10-15 minutes after absorption of a fatal dosage. VX nerve agent is one of the most toxic substances ever synthesized. Symptoms of overexposure may occur within minutes or hours, depending upon the dose. They include: constriction of pupils, headaches, runny nose, salivation, tightness in the chest, nausea, vomiting, anxiety, difficulty in thinking, muscle twitches, tremors, and weakness. With severe exposure, symptoms progress to convulsions and respiratory failure. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of exposure to low doses of VX.</p> <p>(Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/VX/ctc0006.asp [as of January 25, 2002] Zajtchuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997. SBCCOM Online, Edgewood Chemical Biological Center http://inl.apgea.army.mil:80/RDA/msds/vx.htm [as of April 2, 2002] World Health Organization, Department of Sustainable Development & Environmental Protection, http://209.61.192.180/phe/factsheet_5.htm [as of April 2, 2002] Department of the Army Pamphlet 40-8: Occupational Health Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Occupational Exposure to Nerve Agents GA, GB, GD, and VX http://books.army.mil:80/cgi-bin/bookmgr/BOOKS/P40_8/CONTENTS [as of February 5, 2002])</p> |
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Elk Hunt, Phase II

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The Elk Hunt, Phase II tests were designed to determine the amount of VX nerve agent picked up on the clothing of personnel traversing breached paths through contaminated areas and M23 minefields; the amount of VX nerve agent deposited on the surface of vehicles traversing VX-contaminated areas or under which an M23 mine had been detonated; the amount of VX nerve agent deposited on the clothing of personnel actively or passively contacting contaminated vehicles; vehicle decontamination by wet steam, high-pressure cold water hosing, and wallow pit; and, the amount of VX vapor rising from VX-contaminated areas.

Thirty-five trials were conducted near Fort Greely, Alaska, between June 7 and July 27, 1965. Five trials were conducted by the Canadian government in conjunction with the Deseret Test Center trials. Chemical Research and Development Laboratories, Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, performed 11 additional vehicle decontamination trials from October 27 to December 17, 1965.

Personnel who participated in Elk Hunt, Phase II wore complete, impermeable butyl-rubber outfits and M9A1 masks.

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| Test Name | Elk Hunt, Phase II (DTC Test 65-14) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | June 7 – July 27, 1965 October 27 – December 17, 1965 |
| Test Location | Fort Greely, Alaska Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland Canada |
| Test Operations | To determine the amount of standard VX nerve agent picked up on the clothing of personnel traversing paths formed by the breaching of minefields and areas contaminated by detonated M23 mines. Tests were made to determine the amount of VX nerve agent picked up by personnel contacting contaminated vehicles. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Deseret test personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Selected personnel assigned to HHC, 171st Infantry Brigade, 15th Artillery Battalion, 40th Armor Battalion, 4th Battalion, 9th Infantry 1st Battalion, 47th Infantry, 538th Ordnance Company (Direct Support) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Standard VX was disseminated from M23 mines buried with pressure plates flush with the ground. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | VX Nerve Agent |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Wet steam, high-pressure cold water hosing, and wallow pit for decontaminating vehicles |
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| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <p><u>VX Nerve Agent</u> – Lethal Nerve Agent (Synonyms: Phosphonothioic acid, VX):</p> <p>VX nerve agent is extremely lethal. It is an oily liquid that is clear, odorless, and tasteless. Death usually occurs within 10-15 minutes after absorption of a fatal dosage. VX nerve agent is one of the most toxic substances ever synthesized. Symptoms of overexposure may occur within minutes or hours, depending upon the dose. They include: miosis (constriction of pupils) and visual effects, headaches and pressure sensation, runny nose and nasal congestion, salivation, tightness in the chest, nausea, vomiting, giddiness, anxiety, difficulty in thinking, difficulty sleeping, nightmares, muscle twitches, tremors, weakness, abdominal cramps, diarrhea, involuntary urination and defecation. With severe exposure symptoms progress to convulsions and respiratory failure. The permissible airborne exposure concentration for VX nerve agent in any 8-hour work shift can be found in Department of the Army Pamphlet 40-8. To date, however, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration has not promulgated a permissible exposure concentration for VX nerve agent.</p> <p>(Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/VX/ctc0006.asp [as of January 25, 2002]. SBCCOM Online, Edgewood Chemical Biological Center http://inl.apgea.army.mil:80/RDA/msds/vx.htm [as of April 2, 2002]. World Health Organization, Department of Sustainable Development & Environmental Protection, http://209.61.192.180/phe/factsheet_5.htm [as of April 2, 2002]. Department of the Army Pamphlet 40-8: Occupational Health Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Occupational Exposure to Nerve</p> |
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Pine Ridge

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The purposes of Pine Ridge were to ascertain the percentage of BLU-19/B23 and BLU-20/B23 bomblets that function and to determine their dissemination points in or below a jungle canopy; to determine area-time-dosage and diffusion characteristics of agent BZ and Sarin nerve agent when disseminated from single bomblets; and, to estimate the effective area coverage that could be expected if agent BZ and Sarin nerve agent were disseminated from single or multiple SUU-13/A dispenser loads. A secondary objective was to determine any peculiar handling, storage, or safety requirements associated with BLU-19/B23 or BLU-20/B23 bomblets.

BZ is a code name for an ester of benzoic acid. The chemical affects the human mind causing those contaminated to be unable to perform an assignment or have a reduced will to resist for a short period of time. Sarin is a volatile and lethal nerve agent.

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Sarin filled BLU-19/B23 and BZ filled BLU-20/B23 bomblets were detonated in test areas in the upper Waiakea Forest Reserve and in the Olaa Forest Preserve, southwest of Hilo, on the island of Hawaii in May and June 1966.

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| Test Name | Pine Ridge (DTC Test 65-16) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | May – June 1966 |
| Test Location | Island of Hawaii |
| Test Operations | To evaluate the effectiveness of the BLU-19/B23 Sarin-filled bomblet and the BLU20/B23 agent BZ-filled bomblet in a tropical rain forest. |
| Participating Services | US Air Force, US Navy, US Army, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Bomblets were projected with an airgun to determine burst height and static detonations were used for area-time-dosage determinations. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Ester of benzilic acid (BZ) Sarin Nerve Agent |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <p><u>Ester of benzilic acid (Agent BZ)</u> This chemical is an incapacitating agent designed to cause stupor, confusion, and hallucinations when inhaled or absorbed through the skin. It is a white powder and may irritate the eyes, skin, and digestive and respiratory tracts, if inhaled or ingested. While some effects may last several days or weeks, long-term or late-developing health effects have not been documented and seem unlikely.</p> <p>(Source: Incapacitating Agents (chap. 5), in US Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense, Medical Management of Chemical</p> |

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| | <p>Casualties Handbook, 3rd edition, 1998; Ketchum JS, Sidell FR Incapacitating Agents (chap. 11), in ed. Zajtchuk R., Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1), Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997.</p> <p>http://www.fas.org/nuke/guide/russia/cbw/jptac008_194001.html [as of September 25, 2002].)</p> <p><u>Sarin Nerve Agent (GB)</u></p> <p>Sarin gas is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, human symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery eyes, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. No information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. An Institute of Medicine committee concluded that there was insufficient evidence for or against an association between low-level sarin exposure and long-term health effects.</p> <p>(Sources: http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/Sarin/Sarin.asp [as of February 13, 2002] Institute of Medicine (National Academies), Gulf War and Health (vol.1): Depleted Uranium, Pyridostigmine Bromide, Sarin, Vaccines. National Academy Press, Washington DC, 2000.)</p> |
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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

Fearless Johnny

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The purposes of the Fearless Johnny test were to evaluate the magnitude of interior and exterior contamination from an aerial-delivered chemical weapon system using a simulant for VX nerve agent; demonstrate the effectiveness of the shipboard water washdown system for decontamination and as a protective measure against an aerial spray of VX nerve agent; and, evaluate the operational impact of gross VX nerve agent contamination on a US Navy ship.

VX nerve agent and the VX nerve agent simulant, diethylphthlate, mixed with 0.1 percent of the fluorescent dye DF-504, were used during Fearless Johnny testing.

The USS *George Eastman* (YAG-39) was the test subject vessel for all trials of the test program. The USS *Granville S. Hall* (YAG-40) was assigned to Fearless Johnny as an escort and laboratory support vessel. Two light tugs provided a capability to transfer test samples between the USS *George Eastman* and the support vessels.

The Fearless Johnny trials were conducted at sea, southwest of Honolulu, Hawaii, during August and September 1965. Disseminating aircraft were stationed at an auxiliary airfield on the Island of Kauai.

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FEARLESS JOHNNY

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| Test Name | Fearless Johnny (Test 65-17) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | August and September 1965 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted at sea southwest of Honolulu, Hawaii. |
| Test Operations | The test subject vessel, the USS <i>George Eastman</i> (YAG 39), was challenged by VX nerve agent or its simulant, diethylphthlate, to evaluate the magnitude of exterior and interior contamination levels under three material readiness conditions, demonstrate the effectiveness of the shipboard water washdown system, and evaluate the operational impact of gross VX nerve agent contamination on a US Navy ship. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, plus Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>George Eastman</i> (YAG-39) USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> (YAG-40) Two light tugs (not further identified). VC-1 (previously designated VU-1, Utility Squadron One) the Blue Aiiis (Blue Warriors) Squadron provided a Navy A4-B as a disseminator aircraft. Patrol Squadron Six (PATRON SIX), Fleet Air Wing Two, provided two P2V <i>Neptune</i> aircraft as airborne command posts and to provide surveillance in the operating area. |
| Dissemination Procedures | Aerial-delivered aerosolized agent and agent simulant. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | VX nerve agent Diethylphthlate mixed with 0.1 percent of fluorescent dye DF-504. |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Water washdown system |

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| | <p>Diethylphthlate is only very slowly absorbed through the skin; however, ingestion in high concentrations can cause gastrointestinal irritation, or hypotension. Diethylphthlate has been used routinely as an insect repellent since World War II. It is also used in cosmetics and aspirin.</p> <p>(Sources: New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, http://www.state.nj.us/health/eoh/rtkweb/0707.pdf [as of January 25, 2002]. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health [NIOSH] <i>International Chemical Safety Cards</i> http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/ipcsneng/neng0258.html [as of January 25, 2002]. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, National Toxicology Program, http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov/htdocs/Chem_H&S/NTP_Chem8/Radian84-66-2.html [as of January 25, 2002].</p> |
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Devil Hole, Phase II

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Devil Hole, Phase II was conducted in temperate aspen and spruce forested terrain to provide weapons effects information for artillery delivered VX nerve agent-filled shells. The munitions used were M121A1 (155m) and M426 (8-inch) artillery shells filled with VX nerve agent.

Munitions were statically detonated and M-109 self-propelled howitzers were also used to dynamically fire shells on the target. Manikins dressed in undyed cotton overgarments were used to estimate direct contamination of standing personnel in the area of a munition detonation. A three-quarter ton truck and an eight-by-ten foot tent wall were used to measure deposition on equipment.

Devil Hole, Phase II trials were conducted at the Gerstle River test site near Fort Greely, Alaska, from July through September 1966.

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DEVIL HOLE, PHASE II
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| Test Name | Devil Hole, Phase II (DTC Test 66-1) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | July – September 1966 |
| Test Location | Gerstle River test site, near Fort Greely, Alaska |
| Test Operations | To provide weapons effects information for artillery delivered VX nerve agent-filled shells detonated in temperate, forested terrain. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Munitions were statically detonated and M-109 self-propelled howitzers were used to dynamically fire shells on the target. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | VX Nerve Agent |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>VX Nerve Agent</u> – (Synonyms: Phosphonothioic acid, VX) VX nerve agent is extremely lethal. It is an oily liquid that is clear, odorless, and tasteless. Death usually occurs within 10-15 minutes after absorption of a fatal dosage. VX nerve agent is one of the most toxic substances ever synthesized. Symptoms of overexposure may occur within minutes or hours, depending upon the dose. They include: constriction of pupils, headaches, runny nose, salivation, tightness in the chest, nausea, vomiting, anxiety, difficulty in thinking, muscle twitches, tremors, and weakness. With severe exposure, symptoms progress to convulsions and respiratory failure. There is little information available regard- |

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| | <p>ing the long-term human health effects of exposure to low doses of VX.</p> <p>(Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/VX/ctc0006.asp [as of January 25, 2002] Zajtcuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997. SBCCOM Online, Edgewood Chemical Biological Center http://inl.apgea.army.mil:80/RDA/msds/vx.htm [as of April 2, 2002] World Health Organization, Department of Sustainable Development & Environmental Protection, http://209.61.192.180/phe/factsheet_5.htm [as of April 2, 2002] Department of the Army Pamphlet 40-8: Occupational Health Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Occupational Exposure to Nerve Agents GA, GB, GD, and VX http://books.army.mil:80/cgi-bin/bookmgr/BOOKS/P40_8/CCONTENTS [as of February 5, 2002]) [as of February 5, 2002])</p> |
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Red Oak, Phase I

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The purposes of Red Oak, Phase I were to determine the height-of-burst distributions of the 121A1 (155mm) chemical projectiles and the M55 (115mm) rocket warheads when fired into a jungle environment, and to determine the effects of fragmentation from bursting chemical munitions.

Red Oak, Phase I was conducted on the Island of Hawaii and in the Panama Canal Zone. Tests involving the M55 rocket warhead and the dissemination of Sarin nerve agent from the M121A1 projectile were conducted in the upper Waiakea Forest Reserve on the Island of Hawaii, southwest of Hilo.

Tests to determine fragmentation effects of artillery projectiles were conducted on the Pina Ridge near the Fort Sherman Military Reservation, Panama Canal Zone. These tests were not chemical weapons tests. Instead they used either standard artillery rounds or projectiles filled with an unspecified simulant.

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| Test Name | Red Oak, Phase I (DTC Test 66-2) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | April – May 1967 |
| Test Location | Upper Waiakea Forest Reserve, Island of Hawaii Pina Ridge, near Fort Sherman Military Reservation, Panama Canal Zone |
| Test Operations | To evaluate the effectiveness of Sarin filled 155mm artillery projectiles and 115mm rocket warheads in a tropical jungle environment. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Munitions were statically detonated. |
| Agents | Sarin Nerve Agent (Hawaii) |
| Simulants and Tracers | Unspecified chemical agent simulant (Panama Canal Zone) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Sarin Nerve Agent (GB)</u> Sarin gas is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, human symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery eyes, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. No information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. An |

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Swamp Oak

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The objective of Swamp Oak was to determine area-time-dosage relationships as a function of burst height and agent diffusion characteristics, within subarctic forested areas, for Sarin nerve agent-filled artillery munitions in temperatures ranging from -1°C to -18°C.

Sarin nerve agent-filled M121A1 (155mm) artillery shells were detonated statically and singly in a coniferous forest under winter conditions. To simulate an air burst, the shell was suspended using a cable, a hoist, and a special strap-steel sling.

Swamp Oak trials were conducted during March and April 1966 at the Gerstle River test site near Fort Greely, Alaska.

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| Test Name | Swamp Oak (DTC Test 66-3) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | March - April 1966 |
| Test Location | Gerstle River test site, near Fort Greely, Alaska |
| Test Operations | To determine time-area-dosage relationships as a function of burst height and agent diffusion characteristics, within subarctic forested areas, for Sarin nerve agent-filled artillery munitions in temperatures ranging from -1°C to -18°C. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Sarin nerve agent-filled M121A1 (155mm) artillery shells were statically and singly detonated in a coniferous forest under winter conditions. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Sarin Nerve Agent |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Sarin Nerve Agent (GB)</u> Sarin gas is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, human symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery eyes, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. No information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. An Institute of Medicine committee concluded that there was insufficient evidence for or against an association |

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Green Mist

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The primary purpose of Green Mist was to estimate the effective dosage area coverage that could be expected if sarin nerve agent-filled M139 bomblets were disseminated from four different weapons systems over a rain forest canopy.

Trials were conducted using sarin nerve agent and the simulant methylacetoacetate.

Green Mist was conducted on the island of Hawaii during the period of March 25 through April 24, 1967.

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| Test Name | Green Mist (DTC Test 66-4) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | March 25 – April 24, 1967 |
| Test Location | Island of Hawaii |
| Test Operations | To determine the average dosage in a mountain rain forest of four chemical weapon systems employing the M139 sarin nerve agent bomblet. |
| Participating Services | Deseret Test Center |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | M139 sarin nerve agent-filled bomblets were statically detonated at several heights below the canopy. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Sarin Nerve Agent Methylacetoacetate |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Sarin Nerve Agent</u> (GB) Sarin gas is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, human symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery eyes, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. No information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. An Institute of Medicine committee concluded that there was insufficient evidence for or against an association |

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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

Purple Sage

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The primary purpose of the Purple Sage test was to evaluate the effectiveness of the experimental Shipboard Toxicological Operational Protection System (STOPS) against environmental attack with a gaseous chemical warfare agent under operational situations. An additional objective was to evaluate the effect that the wearing of protective masks (MK5 or M17) for a four-hour period had on the operational efficiency of a ship's crew.

The chemical warfare test agent was methylacetoacetate, a sarin nerve agent simulant. The STOPS-equipped destroyer, USS *Herbert J. Thomas* (DD-833), was enveloped by a test agent cloud generated by release of methylacetoacetate through a turbine disseminator located on the bow of the ship.

Purple Sage tests were conducted in an operational area of the Pacific Ocean, off San Diego, California, during the period January 5 through February 3, 1966.

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| Test Name | Purple Sage (Test 66-5) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | January 5 - February 3, 1966 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted in the Pacific Ocean, off San Diego, California. |
| Test Operations | To test the Shipboard Toxicological Operational Protective System (STOPS), a test agent was released through a turbine disseminator located on the bow of the ship. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, plus Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>Herbert J. Thomas</i> (DD-833) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Test agent was released through a turbine disseminator. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Methylacetoacetate |
| Ancillary Testing | MK5 and M17 protective masks |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks, Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Methylacetoacetate</u> (MAA) (Synonyms: methyl acetoacetate, acetoacetic acid, methyl ester) Potential health effects consist of low to moderate eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritation and possible gastrointestinal irritation with nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. EPA does not consider methylacetoacetate to be a hazardous material. It is not a known carcinogen. (Sources: http://hazard.com/msds/tox/f/q4/q936.html [as of January 28, 2002] and http://www.hbcollege/chem/lab/organic/gilbert3e/resources/studenttools/dl/e_mmsds.pdf) |

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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

Scarlet Sage

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The primary purpose of the Scarlet Sage test was to evaluate the effectiveness of the experimental Shipboard Toxicological Operational Protection System (STOPS) against environmental attack of a BW tracer under operational situations.

The biological tracer was *Bacillus subtilis* var. *niger* (often referred to as *Bacillus globigii* [BG]). The STOPS destroyer, USS *Herbert J. Thomas* (DD-833), was challenged with aerosols of BG released from a continuous point source approximately 500 meters upwind of the ship.

Scarlet Sage tests were conducted in an operational area of the Pacific Ocean, off San Diego, California during the period February 9 through March 4, 1966.

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| Test Name | Scarlet Sage (Test 66-6) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | February 9 – March 4, 1966 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted in the Pacific Ocean, off San Diego, California. |
| Test Operations | To test the Shipboard Toxicological Operational Protective System (STOPS), a BW tracer was disseminated upwind of the ship. |
| Participating Services | Navy, plus Deseret personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>Herbert J. Thomas</i> (DD-833) |
| Dissemination Procedures | An aerosolized slurry of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. niger (BG) was released from a point source located approximately 500 meters upwind of the target vessel. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. niger (BG). |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified. |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. niger (<i>Bacillus globigii</i> [BG])</u> The American Type Culture Center characterizes <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. niger as a BioSafety Level-1 (BSL-1) bacterium. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention define BSL-1 as suitable for work involving well-characterized agents not known to consistently cause disease in healthy adult humans. (Sources: American Type Culture Collection data sheet, http://phage.atcc.org [as of January 11, 2002] and <i>Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories</i> , U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and National Institutes of Health, 4 th ed., p. 17, April 1999, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington) |

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West Side, Phase II

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The purpose of West Side, Phase II was to evaluate the area coverage capabilities of the A/B 45-Y-4/F-105 powdered agent dissemination system as used operationally over a northern open plains region during cold weather. Twelve trials were conducted in which both *Bacillus globigii* and zinc cadmium sulfide (FP) were simultaneously disseminated, each from separate, wing-mounted Y-4 disseminators on an F-105 aircraft. A second release of FP of a different fluorescent color was made by a contractor aircraft immediately after the dissemination run by the F-105. The contractor aircraft, a JHC-47, and EW-2 disseminator released FP both above and below the inversion top to measure its influence on aerosol travel.

The Canadian government permitted three flight paths for the dissemination of tracers. These flight paths and the corresponding trajectories of aerosol travel were selected to preclude travel of simulants and tracers over heavily populated areas, or over the inhabited areas of Suffield Experimental Station.

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West Side, Phase II was conducted in the Great Plains Region of central Canada, with the test area extending north and east from the Suffield Experimental Station, southern Alberta Province, and into southwestern Saskatchewan. The testing period extended from January 5 through March 7, 1965.

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WEST SIDE, PHASE II

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| Test Name | West Side, Phase II (DTC Test 66-8) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | January 5 – March 7, 1965 |
| Test Location | Great Plains Region of Central Canada, north and east of the Suffield Experimental Station, southern Alberta Province, and into southwestern Saskatchewan |
| Test Operations | To evaluate the area coverage capability of an airborne dry agent dissemination system when operated in a frigid environment. |
| Participating Services | US Air Force, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Simulant and tracer material sprayed from an AB 45-Y4 powdered agent disseminator mounted on an F-105 aircraft. Tracer material was also disseminated above and below the inversion layer using an EW-2 disseminator mounted on a contractor-operated JHC-47 aircraft. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> Zinc Cadmium Sulfide (FP) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i> (BG)</u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of |

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| | <p>Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests: Answers to Commonly Asked Questions, National Academy Press, Washington DC, 1997, both available at http://www.nap.edu as of October 1, 2002.)</p> |
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Pin Point

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The purposes of Pin Point were to evaluate the riot-control-agent CS-dispensing, man-portable E8 launcher and the aerially-delivered CBU-19/A and CBU-30/A munitions for area-coverage-time-dosage relationships in a tropical jungle environment. The reactions to CS of unmasked, volunteer personnel operating in the impact area and the persistency of the agent were also evaluated.

Ortho-chlorobenzylidene malonitrile (CS), a white crystalline powder riot-control agent, was used for the Pin Point tests. CS was dispersed by a counterinsurgency-type aircraft (A-1E/Skyraider) using CBU-30/A and CBU-19/A munitions as well as by using an E8 man portable launcher.

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While the United States does not classify CS as a chemical warfare agent, Deseret Test Center managed Pin Point as a matter of convenience. Testing CS delivery methods was not part of a chemical-biological warfare agent assessment.

Pin Point trials were conducted in 1966 in a tropical jungle type environment.

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| Test Name | Pin Point (Test 66-10) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | 1966 (specific dates not identified in the final report.) |
| Test Location | Tropical jungle environment (specific location not identified in final report.) |
| Test Operations | The riot-control-agent CS-dispensing, man portable E8 launcher, and the aerially delivered CBU-19/A and CBU-30/A munitions were operationally evaluated for area-coverage-time-dosage relationships in a tropical jungle environment. Reactions of unmasked, volunteer personnel operating in the impact area were evaluated as well as the persistency of the agent. |
| Participating Services | Deseret Test Center personnel, US Army, US Air Force, US Marine Corps |
| Units and Ships Involved | Counterinsurgency type aircraft (A 1E/Skyraider) |
| Dissemination Procedures | CS-filled submunitions were released from single and double dynamic drops of the CBU-19/A munition, CBU-30/A munition and from the firing of the E8 launcher. |
| Agents | CS Riot-Control Agent |
| Simulants and Tracers | Not identified |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>CS Riot – Control Agent</u> CS is one of several chemicals commonly called “Tear Gas.” CS is a white, crystalline powder and is dispersed into the air as either an aerosol or powder. |

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The chemical name for CS is ortho-chlorobenzylidene malononitrile. It is chemically identical to CS2 but differs in its physical characteristics. This chemical is an incapacitating/riot-control agent that acts as a contact irritant on the exposed body surfaces (eyes and skin), and on the respiratory tract. Exposure to CS causes burning, irritation, tearing and pain in the eyes. Airway symptoms include burning, sneezing, cough, shortness of breath and increased secretions, such as runny nose and increased salivation. High concentrations of CS can cause blistering of the skin. With commonly used concentrations, these effects are short-term and the potential for long-term health consequences is low.

(Sources: Riot-Control Agents (chap. 6), in US Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense, Medical Management of Chemical Casualties Handbook, 3rd edition, 1998; Sidell FR, Riot Control Agents (chap. 12), in Zajtcuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997, p. 310-6.

<http://www.metrokc.gov/health/hazard/riotcontrol.htm#cs> [as of September 26, 2002] and Cornell University, <http://msds.pdc.cornell.edu/msds/siri/files/chl/chlfz.html> [as of August 26, 2002]).

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Deseret Test Center Project SHAD

Half Note

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The purpose of the Half Note test was to determine biological decay rates of vegetative nonpathogens in a marine environment and to compare the field decay rates with chamber decay rates when conducted under similar conditions. Trials included the release of *Escherichia coli* or *Serratia marcescens* with *Bacillus globigii*.

In each trial, a slurry of *Bacillus globigii* and one of the two other organisms were released from Aero 14B spray tanks, wing-mounted on an A-4 aircraft. During each trial, the USS *George Eastman* (YAG-39) and five Army light tugs would traverse upwind attempting to remain in the aerosol cloud for several hours. Additional trials were conducted using a Navy fleet submarine, the USS *Carbonero* (SS-337). Using a submarine-biological-disseminator, the submarine released *Bacillus globigii* only. In addition, the USS *Granville S. Hall* (YAG-40) took complete surface observations, every half-hour during the trials.

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Calcofluor, a fluorescent tracer, was used as a tool for determining cloud arrival and departure. For this test, a contractor released and sampled a stable inorganic tracer, zinc cadmium sulfide (FP), type 3206 green.

Half Note tests were conducted in the Pacific Ocean off the coast of Hawaii, approximately 80 nautical miles south-southwest of Oahu from August 18 - September 30, 1966.*

* This fact sheet was updated to include the participation of the USS *Carbonero* (SS-337).

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| Test Name | Half Note (DTC Test 66-13) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | August 18 – September 30 1966 |
| Test Location | In the Pacific Ocean off the coast of Hawaii, approximately 80 nautical miles south-southwest of Oahu. |
| Test Operations | To determine biological decay rates of <i>Escherichia coli</i> and <i>Serratia marcescens</i> in a marine environment. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>George Eastman</i> (YAG-39) USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> (YAG-40) USS <i>Carbonero</i> (SS 337) Army light tugs 2080, 2081, 2085, 2086, and 2087, all staffed by USN personnel |
| Dissemination Procedures | Sprayed from A-4 aircraft equipped with Aero 14B spray tanks and released from a fleet submarine specially equipped with a submarine-biological-disseminator. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> <i>Serratia marcescens</i> <i>Escherichia coli</i> Calcofluor (fluorescent brightner 28) Zinc cadmium sulfide (FP) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i></u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to |

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| | <p><i>Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases</i>, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2299-301.)</p> <p><u>Calcofluor (fluorescent brightener 28, Calcofluor White ST)</u></p> <p>Used as a fluorescent tracer with <i>Bacillus globigii</i>. Chemical formula is $C_{40}H_{42}N_{12}Na_2O_{10}S_2$. This chemical has been used as a medical laboratory stain and as a whitening agent in detergents. It can cause eye irritation in animal testing, but there is limited evidence for or against human health effects. (Source: http://hazard.com/msds/tox/f/q127/q679.html [as of April 30, 2002] NLM TOXNET, Cellufluor 4193-55-9, available at http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov)</p> <p><u>Zinc cadmium sulfide</u></p> <p>This compound was aerosolized as a tracer material for the dispersion of biological warfare agents because it had similar properties. There has been little scientific study on the toxicity of this compound when inhaled. A National Research Council (NRC) committee focused on the cadmium component as potentially most toxic. While higher concentrations and more prolonged exposures to cadmium are associated with the development of lung cancer, the concentrations and durations of exposure in the Army's tests were substantially lower. The NRC committee concluded that the risk of adverse health effects to populations in the area was low. (Sources: National Research Council (National Academies), Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests, and Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests: Answers to Commonly Asked Questions, National Academy Press, Washington DC, 1997, both available at http://www.nap.edu as of October 1, 2002.)</p> |
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Dew Point

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The purpose of Dew Point was to determine the effectiveness of Sarin nerve agent-filled BLU-19/B23 bomblets ejected from an SUU-13/A dispenser, and M139 bomblets dropped from a SADEYE dispenser in a temperate summer forest environment

The test area was situated in a heavy stand of deciduous aspen trees. A test grid was established in the aspen forest. Sarin nerve agent-filled M139 bomblets were used in Dew Point trials. The bomblets were individually statically detonated.

The test was conducted from June through July 1967 at the Gerstle River test site, near Fort Greely, Alaska.

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| Test Name | Dew Point (DTC Test 67-2) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | June – July 1967 |
| Test Location | Gerstle River test site, near Fort Greely, Alaska |
| Test Operations | To determine the effectiveness of Sarin nerve agent-filled BLU-19/B23 bomblets ejected from an SUU-13/A dispenser, and M139 bomblets dropped from a SADEYE dispenser in a temperate summer forest environment. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Single bomblets were statically detonated. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Sarin Nerve Agent |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Sarin Nerve Agent (GB)</u> Sarin gas is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, human symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery eyes, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. No information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. An Institute of Medicine committee concluded that there was insufficient evidence for or against an association between low-level sarin exposure and long-term |

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| | <p>health effects.</p> <p>(Sources: http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/Sarin/Sarin.asp [as of February 13, 2002] Institute of Medicine (National Academies), Gulf War and Health (vol.1): Depleted Uranium, Pyridostigmine Bromide, Sarin, Vaccines. National Academy Press, Washington DC, 2000.)</p> |
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Blue Tango

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The purposes of the Blue Tango test were to determine the decay rates of *Serratia marcescens* and *Escherichia coli* aerosols when released at ground level into a tropical rain forest environment, and when released from above the canopy of a tropical rain forest. The test was also designed to evaluate environmental factors affecting decay of the *Serratia marcescens* and *Escherichia coli* microorganisms.

In addition to *Serratia marcescens* and *Escherichia coli*, each trial also consisted of the biological simulant *Bacillus globigii* and fluorescent particles (FP) for tracking biological materials.

Blue Tango consisted of 20 trials with aerosol release below the canopy and 20 trials with aerosol release above the canopy. Each group of 20 trials comprised 10 trials with *Bacillus globigii* and *Serratia marcescens* and 10 trials with *Bacillus globigii* and *Escherichia coli*.

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BLUE TANGO

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Dissemination in all trials was from E2-type nozzles with suitable pressurizing equipment. Above canopy releases were made from a 32-meter tower using equipment and procedures similar to ground-release trials.

Blue Tango was conducted in a rain forest located on the south side of Stainback Road, approximately four miles east of Kulani Honor Camp on the Island of Hawaii between January 18 and March 1, 1968.

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| Test Name | Blue Tango (DTC Test 67-6) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | January 18 – March 1, 1968 |
| Test Location | Island of Hawaii |
| Test Operations | To determine the decay rates of <i>Serratia marcescens</i> and <i>Escherichia coli</i> aerosols when released at ground level into a tropical rain forest environment, and when released from above the canopy of a tropical rain forest. To evaluate environmental factors affecting the decay of <i>Serratia marcescens</i> and <i>Escherichia coli</i> . |
| Participating Services | US Army, US Air Force, and Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Dissemination in all trials was from E2-type nozzles with suitable pressurizing equipment. Above canopy releases were made from a 32-meter tower using equipment and procedures similar to ground-release trials.. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> <i>Serratia marcescens</i> <i>Escherichia coli</i> Fluorescent particles (FP) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i></u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> |

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(vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2299-301.)

Fluorescent particles (FP)

This compound was aerosolized as a tracer material for the dispersion of biological warfare agents because it had similar properties. There has been little scientific study on the toxicity of this compound when inhaled. A National Research Council (NRC) committee focused on the cadmium component as potentially most toxic. While higher concentrations and more prolonged exposures to cadmium are associated with the development of lung cancer, the concentrations and durations of exposure in the Army's tests were substantially lower. The NRC committee concluded that the risk of adverse health effects to populations in the area was low. (Sources: National Research Council [National Academies], Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests, and Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests: Answers to Commonly Asked Questions, National Academy Press, Washington DC, 1997, both available at <http://www.nap.edu> (as of October 1, 2002)).

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Red Cloud

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The main purpose of Red Cloud was to obtain biological decay rate and animal infectivity data on aerosols of *Francisella tularensis* (wet and dry forms) disseminated in a frigid field environment. Measurements of the infectivity to monkeys were made at extremely low ambient temperatures; determinations were also made for biological decay rates of *Francisella tularensis* (wet and dry), *Serratia marcescens* and *Escherichia coli*.

M143 bomblets were projected from a tower-mounted gun into a wintertime spruce forest simulating an operational drop. E26 and M32 dissemination devices were also used to disseminate aerosols for biological decay rate measurements. The liquid biologicals *Francisella tularensis*, *Serratia marcescens*, and *Escherichia coli* were released from E26 disseminators as an intermix with *Bacillus globigii*. Sampling crews were stationed in pressurized safety citadels at predetermined intervals, downwind of the agent release line to facilitate immediate assay of samples in an area free of background contamination.

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Prior to conducting Red Cloud in the Tanana Valley, the Deseret Test Center had conducted a Special Study, Alaska, which was a preliminary field effort with vegetative, nonpathogenic bacteria to prepare for future tests with pathogenic vegetative bacteria at the Alaskan site. A DTC advisory committee concurred in the proposed method of pathogen testing, subject to certain restrictions on agent dissemination. These restrictions limited the amount of agent dissemination for each field trial to preclude possible travel of agent pathogens over inhabited areas of the valley.

Testing began in late November 1966 and was completed in mid-February 1967. All of the field trials were conducted in the Tanana Valley of central Alaska, near Fort Greely.

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| Test Name | Red Cloud (DTC Test 67-7) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | November 1966 – February 1967 |
| Test Location | Tanana Valley of central Alaska, near Fort Greely |
| Test Operations | To obtain biological decay rates on <i>Francisella tularensis</i> (wet and dry form), <i>Escherichia coli</i> , and <i>Serratia marcescens</i> in a sub-zero overland environment. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | M143 bomblets were projected from a tower-mounted gun into a wintertime spruce forest simulating an operational drop. E26 and M32 dissemination devices were also used to disseminate aerosols for biological decay rate measurements. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> <i>Serratia marcescens</i> <i>Escherichia coli</i> <i>Francisella tularensis</i> (wet) (TT) <i>Francisella tularensis</i> (dry) (ZZ) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i> (BG)</u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. |

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| | <p>term or late-developing health effects of <i>E. coli</i> infection would be unlikely.</p> <p>(Source: Eisenstein, Barry I., Zaleznik, Dori F., Enterobacteriaceae (chap. 206), in Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2299-301.)</p> <p><u><i>Francisella tularensis</i> (TT and ZZ)</u> Formerly identified as <i>Pasteurella tularensis</i>, this bacterial species can cause acute infection of the lung, bloodstream, and other body sites (tularemia), and is considered a potential biological warfare agent. While complications of the acute infection may be serious, even life threatening, long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely.</p> <p>(Sources: Cross, J. Thomas Jr., Penn, Robert L., <i>Francisella tularensis</i> (Tularemia) (chap. 216), in Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2393-2402; and Dennis DT, Inglesby TV, Henderson DA, et al. Tularemia as a biological weapon; medical and public health management. JAMA 2001;285(21):2763-73.)</p> |
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Watch Dog

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The main purpose of Watch Dog was to obtain viability decay rates of *Francisella tularensis* (wet and dry forms), *Serratia marcesens*, and *Escherichia coli*. and stabilized *Francisella tularensis* animal infectivity data in a summer temperate environment. Six trials were conducted to measure the infectivity to monkeys in temperate environments using wet *Francisella tularensis*. The remaining trials determined biological decay rates for *Francisella tularensis* (wet and dry), *Serratia marcesens* and *Escherichia coli* in an environment considered analogous to the temperate humid areas of the northern hemisphere during the summer.

All of the Watch Dog trials were conducted in the area of Delta Creek in central Alaska near Fort Greely. The test was conducted in the summer of 1967.

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| Test Name | Watch Dog (DTC Test 67-8) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | Summer 1967 |
| Test Location | Delta Creek area of central Alaska, near Fort Greely |
| Test Operations | To obtain biological decay rates on <i>Francisella tularensis</i> (wet and dry form), <i>Escherichia coli</i> , and <i>Serratia marcescens</i> in a summer temperate environment. |
| Participating Services | US Army, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Not Identified |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> <i>Serratia marcescens</i> <i>Escherichia coli</i> <i>Francisella tularensis</i> (wet) (TT) <i>Francisella tularensis</i> (dry) (ZZ) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i> (BG)</u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but always or nearly always in individuals whose health has already been compromised. Long-term or late- |

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Rapid Tan I, II, III

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Deseret Test Center Test 68-13 (Rapid Tan I, II, III) was a joint U.S., U.K., and Canadian program designed to investigate the extent and duration of hazard following a Tabun, Soman or V nerve agent attack. Phases I and III trials involving agents Tabun, Sarin, Soman and VX spray in both open grassland and wooded terrain were conducted at the Chemical Defence Establishment, Porton Down, England. Both Tabun and Soman spray and munition (Soman-filled) trials (Phase II) were conducted at the Suffield Defence Research Establishment, Ralston, Canada.

The purpose of the Rapid Tan I, II, III tests was to obtain rate-of-vapor return data for agents Tabun and Soman when sprayed on different terrain types in a summer (temperate) environment. Sarin and VX trials were also conducted to strengthen confidence in the Tabun and Soman data by allowing comparisons of data from Sarin and VX munition tests conducted in the same environment.

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The weapons systems germane to this test were explosive munitions (Soman-filled), aircraft spray, rain-type munitions (using both Tabun and Soman), and massive bombs (Tabun- and Soman-filled).

DTC Test 68-13 trials were conducted during three time periods: July – August 1967; May – June 1968; and, August – September 1968.

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| Test Name | Rapid Tan I, II, III (DTC Test 68-13) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | Jul – Aug 1967; May – Jun 1968; Aug – Sep 1968 |
| Test Location | Chemical Defence Establishment, Porton Down, England (Phases I and III) Suffield Defence Research Establishment, Ralston, Canada (Phase II) |
| Test Operations | To determine rate of evaporation of Tabun, Sarin, Soman, and VX as a function of contamination density, drop size, and terrain cover under a variety of meteorological conditions in a temperate environment. |
| Participating Services | Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Agent was disseminated using 155mm Howitzer shells (Soman-filled) and a crop sprayer to simulate agent dissemination from aircraft, rain type munitions, and massive bomb dissemination. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Sarin Nerve Agent Soman Nerve Agent Tabun Nerve Agent VX Nerve Agent |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Sarin Nerve Agent (GB)</u> Sarin gas is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, human symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery |

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| | <p>eyes, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. No information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. An Institute of Medicine committee concluded that there was insufficient evidence for or against an association between low-level sarin exposure and long-term health effects.</p> <p>(Sources: http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/Sarin/Sarin.asp [as of February 13, 2002] Institute of Medicine (National Academies), Gulf War and Health (vol.1): Depleted Uranium, Pyridostigmine Bromide, Sarin, Vaccines. National Academy Press, Washington DC, 2000.)</p> <p><u>Soman Nerve Agent (GD)</u> Soman is a colorless liquid, which gives off an odor of rotting fruit when vaporizing. The vapor is colorless. Soman is a persistent agent that can easily remain in a particular area for a day or longer, depending on the atmospheric conditions. Acute health effects associated with exposure to soman include a runny nose, tightness in the chest, constriction of the pupils, difficulty in breathing, coma, and death. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of exposure to soman.</p> <p>(Source: http://www.sbccom.army.mil/services/edu/soman.htm Zajtcuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997.)</p> |
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| | <p><u>Tabun Nerve Agent (GA)</u></p> <p>Tabun is an amber, non-persistent liquid, which gives off little odor when vaporizing. The vapor is colorless. When exposed to tabun, the symptoms a victim will experience include a runny nose, tightness in the chest, constriction of the pupils, difficulty breathing, and nausea. Ultimately the victim will become comatose and will suffocate as a consequence of convulsive spasms. Tabun is mainly absorbed through the skin; however, vapors can also be hazardous. If a person does not receive an immediately lethal dose, death will occur after approximately 20 minutes. Those receiving a less than lethal dose who do not receive immediate medical care may suffer permanent neurological damage. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of exposure to low doses of tabun.</p> <p>(Source: http://www.sbccom.army.mil/services/edu/tabun.htm Zajtcuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part I, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997.</p> <p><u>VX Nerve Agent</u> – (Synonyms: Phosphonothioic acid, VX)</p> <p>VX nerve agent is extremely lethal. It is an oily liquid that is clear, odorless, and tasteless. Death usually occurs within 10-15 minutes after absorption of a fatal dosage. VX nerve agent is one of the most toxic substances ever synthesized. Symptoms of overexposure may occur within minutes or hours, depending upon the dose. They include: constriction of pupils, headaches, runny nose, salivation, tightness in the chest, nausea, vomiting, anxiety, difficulty in thinking, muscle twitches, tremors, and weakness. With severe exposure, symptoms</p> |
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| | <p>progress to convulsions and respiratory failure. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of exposure to low doses of VX.</p> <p>(Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/VX/ctc0006.asp [as of January 25, 2002] Zajitchuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997. SBCCOM Online, Edgewood Chemical Biological Center http://inl.apgea.army.mil:80/RDA/msds/vx.htm [as of April 2, 2002] World Health Organization, Department of Sustainable Development & Environmental Protection, http://209.61.192.180/phe/factsheet_5.htm [as of April 2, 2002] Department of the Army Pamphlet 40-8: Occupational Health Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Occupational Exposure to Nerve Agents GA, GB, GD, and VX http://books.army.mil:80/cgi-bin/bookmgr/BOOKS/P40_8/CCONTENTS [as of February 5, 2002])</p> |
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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

DTC Test 68-50

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The purpose of Deseret Test Center (DTC) Test 68-50 was to determine the potential casualty area and associated casualty levels for the F-4/AB45Y-4/PG2 weapon system. The weapon system disseminated an aerosol over a 40-50 kilometer downwind grid, encompassing a segment of the Eniwetok Atoll and an array of five Army light tugs.

The agent employed in this test was staphylococcal enterotoxin, Type B, a toxin produced by certain strains of the common bacterium known as *Staphylococcus aureus*. A two percent concentration of uranine dye (sodium fluorescein) was incorporated into the staphylococcal enterotoxin, during the drying cycle at the production plant. The dye served as a tracer for the agent. *Bacillus subtilis var. niger* (BG) was also used as a tracer of the agent aerosols.

The USS *Granville S. Hall* (YAG-40) was assigned to DTC Test 68-50, along with five Army light tugs. Aircraft assigned to the 4533rd Tactical Test Squadron, 33rd Tactical Fighter Wing, disseminated agent and tracers during the test.

DTC Test 68-50 was conducted at Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands during September and October 1968.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 68-50 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | September and October 1968 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted at Eniwetok Atoll, Marshall Islands. |
| Test Operations | The F-4/AB45Y-4/PG2 weapon system disseminated an aerosol over a 40-50 kilometer downwind grid, encompassing a segment of the Eniwetok Atoll and an array of five light tugs. |
| Participating Services | US Army, US Navy, US Air Force, and Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> (YAG-40) Five Army light tugs 4533 rd Tactical Test Squadron, 33 rd Tactical Fighter Wing (F-4E aircraft) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Aerial-delivered aerosolized agent and agent tracers |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Staphylococcal enterotoxin, Type B Bacillus subtilis var. niger (BG) Uranine dye (sodium fluorescein) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Bacillus subtilis var. niger (Bacillus globigii [BG])</u> The American Type Culture Center characterizes Bacillus subtilis var. niger as a BioSafety Level-1 (BSL-1) bacterium. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention define BSL-1 as suitable for work involving well-characterized agents not known to consistently cause disease in healthy adult humans. (Sources: American Type Culture Collection data sheet, http://www.atcc.org/ [as of January 11, 2002]. <i>Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories</i> , U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and National Institutes of Health, 4 th ed., p. 17, April 1999, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington). |

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| | <p><u>Staphylococcal enterotoxin, Type B (PG2)</u> Produced by Staphylococcus aureus strains. It may be aerosolized or used to sabotage food supplies causing food poisoning. Symptoms are present within three to twelve hours after aerosol exposure and are characterized by fever, chills, headache, myalgia and nonproductive cough. Some may develop shortness of breath and retrosternal chest pain. Fever may last two to five days, and cough may persist for up to four weeks. Swallowing staphylococcal enterotoxin may also cause nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. staphylococcal enterotoxin is not generally thought of as a lethal agent; however, it may incapacitate soldiers for one to two weeks. Military protective masks are effective against exposure. Treatment is limited to supportive care through ventilation and fluid management. The incapacitating dose is 30 mg/person by inhalation. (Source: Medical NBC Website, http://www.nbc-med.org/others/Default.html [as of April 2, 2002.]</p> <p><u>Uranine dye (sodium fluorescein)</u> used as a tracer can cause a mild reaction in about one in ten people exposed. Exposure to dye dust through breathing or skin contact can result in adverse health effects such as asthma, eczema, and severe allergic reactions. http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/hc13.html</p> |
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Deseret Test Center

Cliff Rose

Shortly after President Kennedy's inauguration in 1961, the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara, directed that a total review of the U.S. military be undertaken. The study consisted of 150 separate projects. The chemical and biological warfare review was known as Project 112. As part of the Project 112 review, the Joint Chiefs of Staff convened a working committee that recommended a research, testing, and development program for chemical and biological weapons. To oversee this program, the Deseret Test Center (DTC) was established at Fort Douglas, Utah, in 1962. Both land-based and ship-based tests were conducted during the period 1962 – 1973. The Deseret Test Center closed in 1973.

The primary test objective of Cliff Rose (DTC Test 68-52) was to evaluate three CS weapon systems in tropical and semi-tropical environments: the BLU-52A/B chemical bomb; the CS2, XM28 helicopter sling-mounted dispenser; and, the XM-920 E-2 fuze and burster-bomb system. These CS weapon systems were all bulk-CS-filled terrain-denial systems and were evaluated in forest, open water (paddy), jungle, high grass, and open terrain, in terms of periods of denial to unmasked, walking test subjects, pattern sizes, and contamination density.

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For this test, ortho-chlorobenzylidene malontrile (CS2), a white crystalline powder riot-control agent, was dispersed by Air Force low and high speed tactical aircraft, burster devices, and a UH-1 type helicopter.

While the United States does not classify CS2 as a chemical warfare agent, Deseret Test Center managed Cliff Rose as a matter of convenience. Testing CS2 was not part of a chemical-biological warfare agent assessment.

Cliff Rose was conducted between September 22, 1967 – January 18, 1968 at Ft. Stewart, Georgia (Phase I) and at an unspecified location in the Panama Canal Zone (Phase II).

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| Test Name | Cliff Rose (DTC Test 68-52) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | September 22, 1967 – January 18, 1968 |
| Test Location | Ft. Stewart Georgia and the Panama Canal Zone |
| Test Operations | To evaluate three CS weapon systems in tropical and semi-tropical environments: the BLU-52A/B chemical bomb; the CS2, XM28 helicopter sling-mounted dispenser; and, the XM-920 E-2 fuze and burster-bomb system. CS2 was dispersed by Air Force low and high speed tactical aircraft, burster devices, and a UH-1 type helicopter. |
| Participating Services | US Army, US Air Force, and Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Three types of CS2 munitions, including the BLU-52A/B chemical bomb, the XM28 dispenser system, and the XM-920 E-2 fuze and burster system were tested.. The BLU-52A/B bombs were delivered by US Air Force low and high speed aircraft. The XM28 sling-mounted dispenser released CS2 from a UH-1 type helicopter. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Ortho-chlorobenzylidene malonitrile (CS2) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>CS2 Riot – Control Agent</u> CS2 is one of several chemicals commonly called "Tear Gas." CS2 is a white, crystalline powder and is dispersed into the air as either an aerosol or powder. The chemical name for CS2 is ortho chlorobenzylidene malononitrile. It is chemically |

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| | <p>identical to CS but differs in its physical characteristics. This chemical is an incapacitating/riot-control agent that acts as a contact irritant on the exposed body surfaces (eyes and skin), and on the respiratory tract. Exposure to CS₂ causes burning, irritation, tearing and pain in the eyes. Airway symptoms include burning, sneezing, coughing, shortness of breath and increased secretions, such as runny nose and increased salivation. High concentrations of CS₂ can cause blistering of the skin. With commonly used concentrations, these effects are short-term and the potential for long-term health consequences is low.</p> <p>(Sources: Riot-Control Agents (chap. 6), in US Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense, Medical Management of Chemical Casualties Handbook, 3rd edition, 1998; Sidell FR, Riot Control Agents (chap. 12), in Zajtcuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997, p. 310-6. http://www.metrokc.gov/health/hazard/riotcontrol.htm#cs [as of September 26, 2002] Cornell University, http://msds.pdc.cornell.edu/msds/siri/files/chl/chlfz.html [as of August 26, 2002]).</p> |
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Deseret Test Center

DTC Test 68-53

Shortly after President Kennedy's inauguration in 1961, the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara, directed that a total review of the U.S. military be undertaken. The study consisted of 150 separate projects. The chemical and biological warfare review was known as Project 112. As part of the Project 112 review, the Joint Chiefs of Staff convened a working committee that recommended a research, testing, and development program for chemical and biological weapons. To oversee this program, the Deseret Test Center (DTC) was established at Fort Douglas, Utah, in 1962. Both land-based and ship-based tests were conducted during the period 1962 – 1973. The Deseret Test Center closed in 1973.

The primary test objective of DTC Test 68-53 was to establish safety distances downwind of CS2 drop zones. A secondary objective required the determination of agent deposition patterns, percent of agent recovery, and airborne agent particle size in defining direct assault effects such as those related to rescue missions.

Five types of CS2 munitions, including the BLU-52A/B, Mk77, Mk20, and XM925 bombs and the XM28 dispenser system, were tested in flat, open terrain. The BLU-52A/B bombs were delivered by A-4/Skyhawk aircraft. The Mk77 and Mk20 bombs were deployed in pairs from A-4/Skyhawk aircraft. The XM925 drum was tested statically and in dynamic drops from a CH47 helicopter. Bag submunitions were released from an XM28 dispenser carried by a UH-1B helicopter.

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While the United States does not classify CS2 as a chemical warfare agent, Deseret Test Center managed DTC Test 68-53 as a matter of convenience. Testing CS2 was not part of a chemical-biological warfare agent assessment.

DTC Test 68-53 was conducted during the period April to December 1969 at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 68-53 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | April – December 1969 |
| Test Location | Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Operations | DTC Test 68-53 established safety distances downwind of CS2 riot control agent drop zones. The test also determined agent deposition patterns, percent of agent recovery, and airborne agent particle size in defining direct assault effects such as those related to rescue missions. |
| Participating Services | Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Five types of CS2 munitions, including the BLU-52A/B, Mk77, Mk20, and XM925 bombs and the XM28 dispenser system, were tested in flat, open terrain. The BLU-52A/B bombs were delivered by A-4/Skyhawk aircraft. The Mk77 and Mk20 bombs were deployed in pairs from A-4/Skyhawk aircraft. The XM925 drum was tested statically and in dynamic drops from a CH47 helicopter. Bag submunitions were released from an XM28 dispenser carried by a UH-1B helicopter. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Ortho-chlorobenzylidene malontrile (CS2) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>CS2 Riot-Control Agent</u> CS2 is one of several chemicals commonly called "Tear Gas." CS2 is a white, crystalline powder and is dispersed into the air as either an aerosol or powder. The chemical name for CS2 is ortho-chlorobenzylidene |

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| | <p>malononitrile. It is chemically identical to CS but differs in its physical characteristics. This chemical is an incapacitating/riot-control agent that acts as a contact irritant on the exposed body surfaces (eyes and skin), and on the respiratory tract. Exposure to CS2 causes burning, irritation, tearing and pain in the eyes. Airway symptoms include burning, sneezing, coughing, shortness of breath and increased secretions, such as runny nose and increased salivation. High concentrations of CS2 can cause blistering of the skin. With commonly used concentrations, these effects are short-term and the potential for long-term health consequences is low.</p> <p>(Sources: Riot-Control Agents (chap. 6), in US Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense, Medical Management of Chemical Casualties Handbook, 3rd edition, 1998; Sidell FR, Riot Control Agents (chap. 12), in Zajtchuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997, p. 310-6. http://www.metrokc.gov/health/hazard/riotcontrol.htm#cs [as of September 26, 2002]Cornell University, http://msds.pdc.cornell.edu/msds/siri/files/chl/chlfz.html [as of August 26, 2002]).</p> |
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Deseret Test Center Project SHAD

Folded Arrow

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' and ashore installations' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The purpose of Folded Arrow was to study over-ocean downwind travel of a biological aerosol material when disseminated from a submarine-biological system; to demonstrate the submarine weapon system capability to carry out an effective biological attack against an island complex; and to study the effects of a biological attack against a naval port facility. The data obtained from the test were related to mathematically generated estimates of casualties expected from exposure to *Venezuelan equine encephalitis*.

Six trials (Group A trials) were designed to ascertain the downwind travel of a biological aerosol produced by the submarine-biological-disseminator system. The submarine released the biological simulant *Bacillus globigii*. The Group A trials were conducted at sea approximately 80 nautical miles south-southwest of Oahu, Hawaii. Five light tugs stationed at pre-determined locations along the downwind path of the aerosol conducted over-ocean sampling.

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Two trials (Group B) demonstrated the system's capability to attack an island complex. Sampling stations were established at 15 locations on the northern half of Oahu (that portion of the island north of Pearl City) to best depict movement of the aerosol cloud across the island. *Bacillus globigii* simulant was used in both trials.

The port facility attack consisted of two trials (Group C) during which the submarine disseminated *Bacillus globigii* simulant along a line offshore from Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station.

In addition to demonstrating the feasibility of a submarine-biological-disseminator, Folded Arrow was also designed to determine the biological-contamination hazard to which the submarine crew would be subjected in operating the system. To determine the contamination hazard to the crew, an evaluation program was designed. This consisted primarily of aerosol and contact (swab) samples taken from numerous points inside and outside the submarine before, during, and after aerosol dissemination. Under the conditions of this test, no contamination of the submarine's interior was detected. Calcium hypochlorite and betapropiolactone were both used as decontaminants during this test. No trace of betapropiolactone vapor was detected within the submarine during the decontaminant tank-filling operation or during the system decontamination phase accomplished while under way.

Folded Arrow was conducted in the vicinity of the island of Oahu, Hawaii during the period of April and May 1968.

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| Test Name | Folded Arrow (DTC Test 68-71) |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | April – May 1968 |
| Test Location | Oahu, Hawaii and surrounding waters |
| Test Operations | To study over-ocean downwind travel of a biological aerosol material when disseminated from a submarine-biological system and to demonstrate the submarine weapon system capability to carry out an effective biological attack against an island complex; and a naval port facility. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, US Marine Corps, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>Carbonero</i> (SS-337) USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> (YAG-40) Five Army light tugs |
| Dissemination Procedures | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> was disseminated from a fleet submarine using a submarine-biological-disseminator. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Calcium hypochlorite betapropiolactone |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i></u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. |

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They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but always or nearly always in individuals whose health has already been compromised. Long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely (except perhaps as a complication of the acute infection). (Sources: Tuazon CU, *Other Bacillus Species* (chap. 197), in *Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases*, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2220-6; US Environmental Protection Agency, *Bacillus subtilis* Final Risk Assessment, February 1997, available at <http://www.epa.gov> as of October 4, 2002.)

Betapropriolactone

Modern uses for betapropriolactone include vaccines, enzymes, tissue grafts, and surgical instruments; to sterilize blood plasma, water, milk, and nutrient broth; and as a vapor-phase disinfectant in enclosed spaces. Its sporicidal action kills vegetative bacteria, pathogenic fungi, and viruses. The primary routes of potential human exposure to betapropriolactone are inhalation, ingestion, and dermal contact. There is evidence betapropriolactone is a carcinogen; however, the results of animal testing in mice, rats, hamsters, and guinea pigs are questionable due to a lack of controls in the study. An International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) working group reported no data are available to evaluate the carcinogenicity of betapropriolactone in humans. (Source: Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health website: http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov/htdocs/8_RoC/RAC/betapropriolactone.html).

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| | <p><u>Calcium hypochlorite.</u></p> <p>Modern uses for calcium hypochlorite include bleach, cleaning solutions, and disinfectants for drinking water and wastewater purification systems and swimming pools. When released into the air, it is broken down by sunlight and compounds commonly found in the air. It does not accumulate in the food chain. You can be exposed to low levels if you use disinfectants like household bleach. You can also be exposed swimming in pools where calcium hypochlorite has been added to kill bacteria. Calcium hypochlorite if ingested in small amounts (3-6% hypochlorite) can cause gastrointestinal irritation. If a more concentrated amount is ingested (10% or higher hypochlorite), effects can range from corrosive injuries to the mouth, throat, esophagus and stomach with bleeding, perforation and eventually death. Inhalation of chlorine gas may cause nasal irritation, sore throat, and coughing. Contact with skin may cause burning pain, inflammation, and blisters. Long-term exposure to low-levels of hypochlorite can cause dermal irritation. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has determined that hypochlorite salts are not classifiable as to their carcinogenicity to humans. (Source: ATSDR http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/tfacts184.html) as of June 3, 2003)</p> |
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Deseret Test Center Project SHAD

DTC Test 69-10

Shortly after President Kennedy's inauguration in 1961, the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara, directed that a total review of the U.S. military be undertaken. The study consisted of 150 separate projects. The chemical and biological warfare review was known as Project 112. As part of the Project 112 review, the Joint Chiefs of Staff convened a working committee that recommended a research, testing, and development program for chemical and biological weapons. To oversee this program, the Deseret Test Center was established at Fort Douglas, Utah, in 1962. Both land-based and ship-based tests were conducted during the period 1962 – 1973. The Deseret Test Center closed in 1973.

In DTC Test 69-10, units of a US Marine Corps Ready Group were subjected to a simulated chemical agent spray attack while engaged in an amphibious assault. The purpose of the test was to determine the operational effects of a persistent, toxic, chemical agent spray attack on US amphibious forces. The objectives of the test were to assess the performance degradation of troops wearing protective clothing and to illustrate the effectiveness of existing chemical weapons. Contamination of ships and equipment supporting the landing was also assessed.

The test was conducted in two parts: aerial spray attacks against Battalion Landing Team (Minus), BLT(-), and company sized USMC amphibious landing forces; and, an aerial spray attack against the primary control ship of an amphibious assault force. During all trials, sampling was conducted on exposed personnel, and their clothing, to determine if they were contaminated with the simulant. Performance of the troops, the landing craft crews, and the

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ship's crew was evaluated with regard to the response of personnel to the attack and their subsequent ability to operate in a simulated toxic environment.

Missions flown by Marine A-4 aircraft carrying Aero 14B spray tanks delivered trioctyl phosphate (tri [2-ethylhexyl] phosphate) to simulate VX nerve agent. The USS *Fort Snelling* (LSD-30) was the target ship for the ship trial.

DTC Test 69-10 was conducted in May 1969 on the beaches of Vieques island, six miles east of Puerto Rico.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 69-10 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | May 1969 |
| Test Location | Vieques island, six miles east of Puerto Rico |
| Test Operations | To determine the operational effects of a persistent, toxic, chemical agent spray attack on US amphibious forces. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, US Marine Corps, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Landing Force Carib 1-69/BLT 1/8 (attached and supporting personnel from 2d Marine Division)VMA-324, MAG-32, 2d Marine Aircraft Wing USS <i>Fort Snelling</i> (LSD-30) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Sprayed from Marine A-4 aircraft equipped with Aero 14B spray tanks. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Tri (2-ethylhexyl) phosphate |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Triocetyl phosphate</u> (tri(2-ethylhexyl) phosphate) (TOF) Used as a nontoxic simulant for VX nerve agent. TOF is a viscous, colorless or pale yellow liquid. It can irritate the eyes, skin, and respiratory tract on contact. It can cause cancer in some animal species, but this has not been demonstrated in humans. |

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| | <p>(Sources: NLM TOXNET, Trioctyl phosphate 1806-54-8 or Tris(2-ethylhexyl)phosphate 78-42-2, HSDB Human Health Effects and Animal Toxicity Studies, available at http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov, http://physchem.ox.ac.uk/MSDS/TR/tris(2-ethylhexyl)phosphate.html [as of September 25, 2002] and http://www.ilo.org/public/english/protection/safework/cis/products/icsc/dtasht/icsc09/icsc0968.pdf [as of September 25, 2002]).</p> |
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Deseret Test Center

DTC Test 69-12

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In 1967 and 1968, Deseret Test Center Test conducted DTC Test 68-13 (Rapid Tan I, II, III) jointly with the United Kingdom and Canada. Rapid Tan was designed to investigate the extent and duration of hazard following a Tabun, Soman or V nerve agent attack.

DTC Test 69-12 was planned as a more sophisticated test than Rapid Tan. DTC Test 69-12 was originally scheduled for conduct near Fort Greely, Alaska; however, the test site was moved to Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. Only three trials (of 54 scheduled) were completed prior to the imposition of open-air toxic test restrictions and the suspension of the test.

The three completed DTC Test 69-12 trials were conducted at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland during the spring of 1969.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 69-12 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | Spring 1969 |
| Test Location | Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland |
| Test Operations | To determine rate of evaporation of Tabun, Sarin, Soman, and VX as a function of contamination density, drop size, and terrain cover under a variety of meteorological conditions in a temperate environment. |
| Participating Services | Deseret Test Center Personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Not identified |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Sarin Nerve Agent Soman Nerve Agent Tabun Nerve Agent VX Nerve Agent |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Sarin Nerve Agent (GB)</u> Sarin gas is a volatile and lethal nerve agent. It can enter the body by inhalation, ingestion, through the eyes, and to a lesser extent through the skin. After exposure to a sufficient dose, human symptoms may occur within minutes and include runny nose, watery eyes, difficulty breathing, dimness of vision, confusion, drowsiness, coma, and death. Very little information is available regarding long-term health effects following exposures to low levels that do not cause acute symptoms. No information is available regarding potential carcinogenicity. An Institute of |

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| | <p>Medicine committee concluded that there was insufficient evidence for or against an association between low-level sarin exposure and long-term health effects.</p> <p>(Sources: http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/Sarin/Sarin.asp [as of February 13, 2002] Institute of Medicine (National Academies), Gulf War and Health (vol. 1): Depleted Uranium, Pyridostigmine Bromide, Sarin, Vaccines. National Academy Press, Washington DC, 2000.)</p> <p><u>Soman Nerve Agent (GD)</u> Soman is a colorless liquid, which gives off an odor of rotting fruit when vaporizing. The vapor is colorless. Soman is a persistent agent that can easily remain in a particular area for a day or longer, depending on the atmospheric conditions. Acute health effects associated with exposure to soman include a runny nose, tightness in the chest, constriction of the pupils, difficulty in breathing, coma, and death. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of exposure to soman.</p> <p>(Source: http://www.sbccom.army.mil/services/edu/soman.htm Zajtchuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997.)</p> <p><u>Tabun Nerve Agent (GA)</u> Tabun is an amber, non-persistent liquid, which gives off little odor when vaporizing. The vapor is colorless. When exposed to tabun, the symptoms a victim will experience include a runny nose, tightness in the chest, constriction of the pupils, difficulty breathing,</p> |
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| | <p>and nausea. Ultimately the victim will become comatose and will suffocate as a consequence of convulsive spasms. Tabun is mainly absorbed through the skin; however, vapors can also be hazardous. If a person does not receive an immediately lethal dose, death will occur after approximately 20 minutes. Those receiving a less than lethal dose who do not receive immediate medical care may suffer permanent neurological damage. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of exposure to low doses of tabun.</p> <p>(Source: http://www.sbccom.army.mil/services/edu/tabun.htm Zajтчuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997.</p> <p><u>VX Nerve Agent</u> – (Synonyms: Phosphonothioic acid, VX)</p> <p>VX nerve agent is extremely lethal. It is an oily liquid that is clear, odorless, and tasteless. Death usually occurs within 10-15 minutes after absorption of a fatal dosage. VX nerve agent is one of the most toxic substances ever synthesized. Symptoms of overexposure may occur within minutes or hours, depending upon the dose. They include: constriction of pupils, headaches, runny nose, salivation, tightness in the chest, nausea, vomiting, anxiety, difficulty in thinking, muscle twitches, tremors, and weakness. With severe exposure, symptoms progress to convulsions and respiratory failure. There is little information available regarding the long-term human health effects of exposure to low doses of VX.</p> |
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| | <p>(Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention http://www.bt.cdc.gov/Agent/Nerve/VX/ctc0006.asp [as of January 25, 2002] Zajtchuk R (ed.), Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997. SBCCOM Online, Edgewood Chemical Biological Center http://inl.apgea.army.mil:80/RDA/msds/vx.htm [as of April 2, 2002] World Health Organization, Department of Sustainable Development & Environmental Protection, http://209.61.192.180/phe/factsheet_5.htm [as of April 2, 2002] Department of the Army Pamphlet 40-8: Occupational Health Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Occupational Exposure to Nerve Agents GA, GB, GD, and VX http://books.army.mil:80/cgi-bin/bookmgr/BOOKS/P40_8/CCONTENTS [as of February 5, 2002]).</p> |
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Deseret Test Center

DTC Test 69-14

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The purpose of DTC Test 69-14 was to determine the hazards associated with inadvertent release of the MC-1 bomb during takeoff and landing, as well as the hazards resulting from bomb damage caused by hostile fire. The secondary objective was to determine the adequacy of leak suppressant and disposal procedures for damaged MC-1 bombs.

Simulant and/or water-filled 750 pound MC-1 bombs with or without bursters were used in the test. The simulant used was di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP.)

DTC Test 69-14 was conducted between July and November 1971 at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 69-14 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | July – November 1971 |
| Test Location | Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Operations | DTC Test 69-14 consisted of 26 trials. Eighteen bullet-impact trials and eight simulated inadvertent releases were conducted. The primary test objective was to determine the hazards associated with inadvertent release of the MC-1 bomb during takeoff and landing and to determine the adequacy of leak suppressant and disposal procedures for damaged MC-1 bombs. |
| Participating Services | US Army, US Air Force, and Deseret Test Center Personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | F-4 aircraft with MC-1 bombs |
| Dissemination Procedures | In the simulated inadvertent release trials, an MC-1 bomb was released from an F-4 aircraft. All bombs were equipped with the MAU-91 tail fin mounted "lo-drag" display. Six releases were made over a dry lake bed. These were followed by releases over concrete. For the bullet-impact trials, bombs were again filled with water and equipped with the central burster. Both water-filled and simulant-filled bombs were subjected to 50- and 30-caliber fire, 20mm armor piercing incendiary fire and 20mm high explosive incendiary fire. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
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| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <p><u>Di (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP)</u> This chemical is commonly present in flexible plastics and therefore widespread in the environment and of some concern for the general population. While low level exposures have not been shown to cause serious health effects, acute exposure to high levels of this chemical can cause irritation of the skin, eyes, and respiratory tract. DEHP has caused cancer in some animal testing, but the relevance of this testing to cancer in humans is uncertain.</p> <p>(Sources: DHHS PHS ATSDR ToxFAQs, Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate #117-81-7, April 1993, and Toxicological Profile for Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEHP), draft for public comment, September 2000, both available at http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov as of October 1, 2002. Also WHO International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans (vol. 77, Some Industrial Chemicals updated February 23, 2000), available at http://193.51.164.11/htdocs/announcements/vol77.htm as of October 4, 2002.)</p> |
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Deseret Test Center Project SHAD

DTC Test 69-31

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The primary purpose of DTC Test 69-31 was to evaluate the continued effectiveness of the Shipboard Toxicological Operational Protection System (STOPS) of the USS *Herbert J. Thomas* (DD-833). The ship was challenged by five chemical vapor attacks using methylacetoacetate, a simulant for Sarin nerve agent. An additional 11 attacks were conducted in which the USS *Herbert J. Thomas* was enveloped with the nonpathogenic biological aerosol, *Bacillus globigii* (BG).

A MARS generator mounted on the bow of the ship was used to disseminate methylacetoacetate; PCF "swift boats" were used to disseminate BG during simulated biological warfare agent attacks.

DTC Test 69-31 trials were conducted in the Pacific Ocean, off the coast of San Diego, California, during the period August 19 - September 4, 1968.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 69-31 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | August 19 – September 4, 1968 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted in the Pacific Ocean, off the coast of San Diego, California |
| Test Operations | To test the Shipboard Toxicological Operational Protective System (STOPS) using methylacetoacetate, a simulant for Sarin nerve agent (GB) and <i>Bacillus globigii</i> , a nonpathogenic biological aerosol. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>Herbert J. Thomas</i> (DD-833) |
| Dissemination Procedures | MARS generator to disseminate MAAPCF “swift boats” for BG dissemination |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> (BG) Methylacetoacetate |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i> (BG)</u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but always or nearly always in individuals whose health has already been compromised. Long-term or late- |

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| | <p>developing health effects would be very unlikely (except perhaps as a complication of the acute infection).</p> <p>(Sources: Tuazon CU, Other Bacillus Species (chap. 197), in Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2220-6; US Environmental Protection Agency, Bacillus subtilis Final Risk Assessment, February 1997, available at http://www.epa.gov as of October 4, 2002.)</p> <p><u>Methylacetoacetate (MAA)</u></p> <p>This compound was used as a simulant. While acute exposure has been associated with irritation of skin, eyes, respiratory tract, and digestive tract, there is little or no evidence of long-term or late-developing health effects and it is not known to cause cancer in animal testing.</p> <p>(Sources: NLM TOXNET, Methyl acetoacetate 105-45-3, HSDB Human Health Effects and Animal Toxicity Studies, available at http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov. http://hazard.com/msds/tox/f/q4/q936.html [as of January 28, 2002] and http://www.hbcollege/chem/lab/organic/gilbert3e/resources/studenttools/dl/e_mmsds.pdf)</p> |
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Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD)

DTC Test 69-32

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The purpose of Deseret Test Center (DTC) Test 69-32 was to examine the effect of solar radiation on the viability of aerosolized *Serratia marcescens* and *Escherichia coli* after being aerially disseminated in a temperate marine environment during time periods about sunrise and sunset.

Twenty-seven field trials were conducted (14 *Serratia marcescens* and 13 *Escherichia coli*). Releases were made from two Aero 14B spray tanks wing-mounted on an A-4C aircraft. *Bacillus subtilis var. niger* (BG) with fluorescent tracer suspension was released from one tank while either *Serratia marcescens* or *Escherichia coli* was simultaneously released from the other. Calcofluor was added to the BG as the physical fluorescent tracer. All trials were conducted using ten percent calcofluor added to the BG.

The USS *Granville S. Hall* (YAG-40), along with five Army light tugs, was assigned to provide surface support to DTC Test 69-32. The five tugs, each converted to serve as an ocean-going sampling platform and laboratory, were employed as target vessels. Agent and tracer dissemination by A-4C aircraft commenced 1.6 kilometers downwind of the primary laboratory ship (YAG-40) and continued downwind for approximately 3.2 kilometers beyond the last sampling support tug.

DTC Test 69-32 was conducted at sea southwest of the Hawaiian Islands during the period of April 30 to June 28, 1969.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 69-32 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | April 30 – June 28, 1969 |
| Test Location | Testing was conducted at sea southwest of the Hawaiian Islands. |
| Test Operations | To examine the effect of solar radiation on the viability of aerosolized <i>Serratia marcescens</i> and <i>Escherichia coli</i> after being aerially disseminated in a temperate marine environment during time periods about sunrise and sunset. |
| Participating Services | US Army, US Navy, US Air Force, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USS <i>Granville S. Hall</i> (YAG-40) Five Army light tugs VC-1 (previously designated VU-1, Utility Squadron One) the Blue Ais (Blue Warriors) Squadron, stationed at Barbers Point, Hawaii, provided a Navy A-4C as a disseminator aircraft. Patrol Squadron Six (PATRON SIX), Fleet Air Wing Two, provided two P3V <i>Orion</i> aircraft as airborne command posts. |
| Dissemination Procedures | Releases were made from two Aero 14B spray tanks wing mounted on an A-4C aircraft. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> (BG) with fluorescent tracer suspension (calcofluor) was released from one tank while either <i>Serratia marcescens</i> or <i>Escherichia coli</i> was simultaneously released from the other. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Serratia marcescens</i> (SM) <i>Escherichia coli</i> <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> (BG) Calcofluor (fluorescent brightner 28) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |

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| <p>Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers</p> | <p><u><i>Serratia marcescens</i></u> (SM) In 1969 <i>Serratia marcescens</i> was recognized as having a limited pathogenic capability and its use as a bacterial marker for studying the dissemination of bacterial aerosols was discontinued. It is an opportunistic pathogen, causing infections of the endocardium, blood, wounds, and urinary and respiratory tracts. (Source: U.S. Army Activity in the U.S. Biological Warfare Programs, Volume II, Appendix E, p. E-6, p. E-7, February 24, 1977; Miller-Keane Medical Dictionary, 2000, http://my.webmd.com/content/asset/miller_keane_30189 [as of January 9, 2002]).</p> <p><u><i>Escherichia coli</i></u> (Synonym: E. Coli) <i>E. coli</i> is one of the most common bacteria in man's environment. Most animals and humans have it in their digestive systems, where it does no harm. <i>E. coli</i> can cause severe stomach cramps, diarrhea, bloody stools, and kidney failure. Some who are exposed to <i>E. coli</i> may experience mild irritation of the stomach and intestines that goes away without treatment, while for others the bacteria can be deadly. (Source: http://my.webmd.com/content/article/3606.464 [as of January 9, 2002]).</p> <p><u><i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i></u> (<i>Bacillus globigii</i> [BG]) The American Type Culture Center characterizes <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> as a BioSafety Level-1 (BSL-1) bacterium. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention define BSL-1 as suitable for work involving well-characterized agents not known to consistently cause disease in healthy adult humans. (Sources: American Type Culture Collection data sheet, http://www.atcc.org/ [as of January 11, 2002]. <i>Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories</i>, US Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and National Institutes of Health, 4th ed., p. 17, April 1999, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington).</p> |
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| | <p><u>Calcofluor (fluorescent brightener 28, Calcofluor White ST)</u> Used as a fluorescent tracer with BG.</p> <p>$C_{40}H_{42}N_{12}Na_2O_{10}S_2$. Testing on laboratory animals indicates calcofluor may cause mild eye irritation.</p> <p>(Source: http://hazard.com/msds/tox/flq127/q679.html [as of April 30, 2002])</p> |
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DTC Test 69-75

Shortly after President Kennedy's inauguration in 1961, the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara, directed that a total review of the U.S. military be undertaken. The study consisted of 150 separate projects. The chemical and biological warfare review was known as Project 112. As part of the Project 112 review, the Joint Chiefs of Staff convened a working committee that recommended a research, testing, and development program for chemical and biological weapons. To oversee this program, the Deseret Test Center was established at Fort Douglas, Utah, in 1962. Both land-based and ship-based tests were conducted during the period 1962 – 1973. The Deseret Test Center closed in 1973.

The objective of Deseret Test Center (DTC) Test 69-75 was to investigate the effectiveness of the F-4/A/B 45Y-2/TX weapon system to reduce wheat crop yields in selected geographic areas. The objective was subdivided into other tasks: determine the downwind travel of agent TX released from the A/B 45Y-2 spray tank; estimate the yield reduction and loss of wheat crops attacked by this weapon system; study the effectiveness of killed TX as a simulant for agent TX; and, evaluate the adequacy to predict downwind dosages of TX.

TX is the agent symbol for the fungus *Puccinia graminis var. tritici*, commonly known as stem rust of wheat. Killed TX is defined as spores killed by a gaseous mixture of ethylene oxide. Dead spores are those that have died as a result of causes other than intentional killing.

Four killed TX trials and seven live agent trials were conducted. All trials were conducted in the vicinity of Yeehaw Junction, Florida, from October 31 to December 1, 1968.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 69-75 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | October 31 – December 1, 1968 |
| Test Location | In the vicinity of Yeehaw Junction, Florida |
| Test Operations | To investigate the effectiveness of the F-4/A/B 45Y-2/TX weapon system to reduce wheat crop yields in selected geographic areas. |
| Participating Services | US Air Force, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | TX was sprayed from an A/B 45Y-2 spray tank mounted on an F-4 aircraft. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Puccinia graminis var. tritici</i> (TX) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <p><i>Puccinia graminis tritici</i> (TX)</p> <p>This fungal species is toxic to plants, and therefore was considered a potential biological warfare agent directed against agricultural crops. It is not ordinarily considered to have either short-term or long-term human health effects.</p> <p>(Sources: Zajтчuk R., ed., Textbook of Military Medicine (part 1, Medical Aspects of Chemical and Biological Warfare, 1997), Office of the Army Surgeon General, Washington DC, 1997, p. 60, 460. Also http://www.cbwinfo.com/Biological/PlantPath/PG.html as of October 4, 2002.)</p> |

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Deseret Test Center Project SHAD

DTC Test 70-C

Project Shipboard Hazard and Defense (SHAD) was part of the joint service chemical and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s. Project SHAD encompassed tests designed to identify US warships' vulnerabilities to attacks with chemical or biological warfare agents and to develop procedures to respond to such attacks while maintaining a war-fighting capability.

The purpose of DTC Test 70-C was to characterize the naturally occurring airborne particulates in a marine atmosphere for background data applicable to the operation of biological detectors under development and to detection concepts under consideration. An additional test objective was to assess the marine and land/sea interface for phosphorescent and fluorescent emission spectra of resident flora and fauna.

As originally planned, DTC Test 70-C was to comprise 10 days of sampling each quarter of fiscal years 1973 and 1974. Ultimately, trials were conducted only twice - once in October 1972 and a again in February-March 1973. The US Naval Sealift Command ship USNS *Samuel Phillips Lee* (T-AGS 31) served as the sampling platform in October 1972. The USNS *Silas Bent* (T-AGS 26) served as the sampling platform in February and March 1973.

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Test personnel used the ROYCO particle monitor sampler and the Aminco-Bowman spectrophotofluorometer analysis equipment to collect data on naturally occurring soluble and insoluble particles found in a marine environment. No chemical-biological simulants or agents were used in this test.

DTC Test 70-C trials took place in the Pacific Ocean. The first trial was conducted aboard the USNS *Samuel Phillips Lee* (T-AGS 31) between October 19 and 25, 1972 in an area 50 to 65 nautical miles off the coast of San Diego, California in the vicinity of San Clemente Island. The second trial began on February 9, 1973 when the USNS *Silas Bent* (T-AGS 26) departed San Diego, California and ended when the ship arrived at Rodman Naval Station, Balboa, Canal Zone, March 31, 1973.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 70-C |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | October 19-25, 1972 February 9 - March 31, 1973 |
| Test Location | In the Pacific Ocean off the coast of San Diego, California; In the Pacific Ocean between San Diego, California and Rodman Naval Station, Balboa, Canal Zone |
| Test Operations | To characterize the naturally occurring airborne particulates in a marine atmosphere for background data applicable to the operation of biological detectors. To assess the marine and land/sea interface for phosphorescent and fluorescent emission spectra of resident flora and fauna. |
| Participating Services | US Navy Sealift Command, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USNS <i>Samuel Phillips Lee</i> (T-AGS 31) USNS <i>Silas Bent</i> (T-AGS 26) |
| Dissemination Procedures | Passive collection of naturally occurring particles in a marine environment |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | None |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not applicable |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Not applicable. |

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DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 3

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The purpose of DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 3 was to provide deposition data for the advanced development test of the TMU-28/B spray system fitted with the MLU-40/B cutter assembly and to evaluate the F-100 and/or the F-4 Series Aircraft-TMU-28/U spray system with agent simulants bis (2-ethylhexyl) hydrogen phosphite and trioctyl phosphate.

Seven operational trials of the TMU28/B spray system were conducted at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah. Payloads of bis (2-ethylhexyl) hydrogen phosphite and trioctyl phosphate simulants for agent VX were dispersed under a specified range of meteorological and operational conditions. In single tank trials, aircraft released simulant at altitudes from 200 to 800 feet above ground level. In dual tank trials, releases occurred from 200 to 1,600 feet above ground level.

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Mixtures containing either bis (2-ethylhexyl) hydrogen phosphite or trioctyl phosphate, with zinc cadmium sulfide fluorescent particles (FP), Photo Flo, Aerosol C-61 or Arlacel 83, and oil red dye were used in DTC Test 70-11, Phase I trials.

DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 3, was conducted between June 1972 and November 1973 at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah.

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DTC TEST 70-11, PHASE I, SUBTEST 3

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| Test Name | DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 3 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | June 1972 – November 1973 |
| Test Location | Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Operations | DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 3 consisted of 7 trials. Payloads of bis (2-ethylhexyl) hydrogen phosphite and trioctyl-phosphite, simulants for agent VX, were dispersed under a specified range of meteorological and operational conditions. |
| Participating Services | US Air Force, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | USAF F-Series aircraft |
| Dissemination Procedures | In single tank trials, aircraft released simulant at altitudes from 200 to 800 feet above ground level. In dual tank trials, releases occurred from 200 to 1,600 feet above ground level. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | bis (2-ethyl-hexyl) hydrogen phosphite trioctyl phosphate zinc cadmium sulfide (FP) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>bis (2-ethyl-hexyl) hydrogen phosphite</u> This chemical compound used as an additive in industrial lubricants can cause acute irritation of the skin, eyes, and respiratory tract. There is insufficient evidence for or against long-term effects. (Source: NLM TOXNET, bis [2-ethylhexyl] hydrogen phosphite 3658-48-8, HSDB Human Health Effects, available at http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov .) |

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DTC TEST 70-11, PHASE 1, SUBTEST 3

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| | <p><u>trioctyl phosphate</u></p> <p>Used as a nontoxic simulant for VX nerve agent. Trioctyl phosphate is a viscous, colorless or pale yellow liquid. It can irritate the eyes, skin, and respiratory tract on contact. It can cause cancer in some animal species, but this has not been demonstrated in humans.(Sources: NLM TOXNET, Trioctyl phosphate 1806-54-8 or Tris [2-ethylhexyl] phosphate 78-42-2, HSDB Human Health Effects and Animal Toxicity Studies, available at http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov http://physchem.ox.ac.uk/MSDS/TR/tris(2-ethylhexyl)phosphate.html [as of September 25, 2002] and http://www.ilo.org/public/english/protection/safework/cis/products/icsc/dtasht/icsc09/icsc0968.pdf [as of September 25, 2002]).</p> <p><u>zinc cadmium sulfide (FP)</u></p> <p>This compound was aerosolized as a tracer material for the dispersion of biological warfare agents because it had similar properties. There has been little scientific study on the toxicity of this compound when inhaled. A National Research Council (NRC) committee focused on the cadmium component as potentially most toxic. While higher concentrations and more prolonged exposures to cadmium are associated with the development of lung cancer, the concentrations and durations of exposure in the Army's tests were substantially lower. The NRC committee concluded that the risk of adverse health effects to populations in the area was low.(Sources: National Research Council [National Academies], Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests, and Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests: Answers to Commonly Asked Questions, National Academy Press, Washington DC, 1997, both available at http://www.nap.edu [as of October 1, 2002]).</p> |
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DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 4

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The purpose of DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 4 was to obtain data on the dissemination characteristics of the BIGEYE Dissemination Test Vehicle (DTV) containing agent VX simulant payload and to determine if the BIGEYE DTV could be used to obtain field data for evaluating hazards to US forces after a massive chemical attack with a ballistic weapon.

DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 4 consisted of two trials. In each trial, one simulant-filled BIGEYE DTV was operationally delivered against an instrumented target array. Dissemination characteristics were estimated from the point of release to approximately one mile downwind.

Each DTV was filled with bis (2-ethylhexyl) hydrogen phosphite. The agent simulant was dyed with oil red dye. The BIGEYE DTV was mounted on and delivered by a TA 4F aircraft.

DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 4 was conducted at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah in May 1974.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 4 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | May 1974 |
| Test Location | Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Operations | DTC Test 70-11, Phase I, Subtest 4 consisted of 2 trials. In each trial, one simulant-filled BIGEYE DTV was operationally delivered against an instrumented target array. Dissemination characteristics were estimated from the point of release to approximately one mile downwind. |
| Participating Services | US Navy, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | TA-4F aircraft |
| Dissemination Procedures | Each DTV was filled with bis (2-ethylhexyl) hydrogen phosphite. The BIGEYE DTV was mounted on and delivered by a TA-4F aircraft. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | bis (2-ethyl-hexyl) hydrogen phosphite |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>bis (2-ethyl-hexyl) hydrogen phosphite</u> This chemical compound used as an additive in industrial lubricants can cause acute irritation of the skin, eyes, and respiratory tract. There is insufficient evidence for or against long-term effects. (Source: NLM TOXNET, bis (2-ethylhexyl) hydrogen phosphite 3658-48-8, HSDB Human Health Effects, available at http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov .) |

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DTC Test 70-73

Shortly after President Kennedy's inauguration in 1961, the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara, directed that a total review of the U.S. military be undertaken. The study consisted of 150 separate projects. The chemical and biological warfare review was known as Project 112. As part of the Project 112 review, the Joint Chiefs of Staff convened a working committee that recommended a research, testing, and development program for chemical and biological weapons. To oversee this program, the Deseret Test Center (DTC) was established at Fort Douglas, Utah, in 1962. Both land-based and ship-based tests were conducted during the period 1962 – 1973. The Deseret Test Center closed in 1973.

The purpose of DTC Test 70-73 was to examine potential secondary aerosol hazards to friendly troops following a biological agent attack. A secondary aerosol is defined as bacterial, toxic, or viral particles resuspended in the air after once settling from a primary aerosol attack or after the biological agent has been intentionally deposited on surfaces.

The types of biological attack simulated in this study were (a) a liquid filled bomblet point source, (b) an aerial liquid spray line source, and (c) a surface deposition with dry biological spores. *Bacillus globigii* (BG) was used in these trials. Liquid BG was dispersed by an explosive test fixture or by a vehicle mounted generator. The dry form of BG was manually deposited with a gravity test fixture at an area designated for road deposit trials. Zinc cadmium sulfide (FP) was disseminated with the BG.

DTC Test 70-73 was conducted between July and December 1970 at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 70-73 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | July – December 1970 |
| Test Location | Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Operations | DTC Test 70-73 examined potential secondary aerosol hazards to friendly troops following a biological agent attack. The types of biological attack simulated in this study were (a) a liquid filled bomblet point source, (b) an aerial liquid spray line source, and (c) a surface deposition with dry biological spores. |
| Participating Services | Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Liquid BG was dispersed by an explosive test fixture or by a vehicle mounted generator. Dry BG was manually deposited with a gravity test fixture at an area designated for road deposit trials. Zinc cadmium sulfide (FP) was disseminated with the BG. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> (BG) Zinc cadmium sulfide (FP) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i></u> (BG) Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of |

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| | <p>the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but always or nearly always in individuals whose health has already been compromised. Long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely (except perhaps as a complication of the acute infection).</p> <p>(Sources: Tuazon CU, Other Bacillus Species (chap. 197), in Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2220-6; US Environmental Protection Agency, Bacillus subtilis Final Risk Assessment, February 1997, available at http://www.epa.gov as of October 4, 2002.)</p> <p><u>Zinc cadmium sulfide (ZCdS)</u></p> <p>This compound was aerosolized as a tracer material for the dispersion of biological warfare agents because it had similar properties. There has been little scientific study on the toxicity of this compound when inhaled. A National Research Council (NRC) committee focused on the cadmium component as potentially most toxic. While higher concentrations and more prolonged exposures to cadmium are associated with the development of lung cancer, the concentrations and durations of exposure in the Army's tests were substantially lower. The NRC committee concluded that the risk of adverse health effects to populations in the area was low.</p> |
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| | <p>(Sources: National Research Council (National Academies), Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests, and Toxicologic Assessment of the Army's Zinc Cadmium Sulfide Dispersion Tests: Answers to Commonly Asked Questions, National Academy Press, Washington DC, 1997, both available at http://www.nap.edu as of October 1, 2002.)</p> |
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Deseret Test Center

DTC Test 70-74

Shortly after President Kennedy's inauguration in 1961, the Secretary of Defense, Robert McNamara, directed that a total review of the U.S. military be undertaken. The study consisted of 150 separate projects. The chemical and biological warfare review was known as Project 112. As part of the Project 112 review, the Joint Chiefs of Staff convened a working committee that recommended a research, testing, and development program for chemical and biological weapons. To oversee this program, the Deseret Test Center (DTC) was established at Fort Douglas, Utah, in 1962. Both land-based and ship-based tests were conducted during the period 1962 – 1973. The Deseret Test Center closed in 1973.

The purpose of DTC Test 70-74 was to determine the viability decay, and variability thereof, of microbiological organisms impacted on microfilaments in the Controlled Environmental Mobile Facility (a closed system) at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah, under a variety of environmental conditions.

A mixed slurry of *Serratia marcescens* and *Bacillus globigii* was used in each of 38 trials. The mixture was disseminated from a collision atomizer and the resulting aerosol was passed over stainless steel microfilaments wound on a series of 40 individual frames. In the viability decay study the frames were removed at selected intervals and exposed to one of six test conditions. Biological assay was conducted to determine the number of *Serratia marcescens*-*Bacillus globigii* organisms per time period. The biological decay-variability information was produced from those data.

DTC Test 70-74 was conducted between August 1972 and January 1973 at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 70-74 |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | August 1972 – January 1973 |
| Test Location | Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Operations | A mixed slurry of <i>Serratia marcescens</i> and <i>Bacillus globigii</i> was used in each of 38 trials. The mixture was disseminated from a collision atomizer and the resulting aerosol was passed over stainless steel microfilaments wound on a series of 40 individual frames. In the viability decay study the frames were removed at selected intervals and exposed to one of six test conditions. Biological assay was conducted to determine the number of <i>Serratia marcescens</i> - <i>Bacillus globigii</i> organisms per time period. The biological decay-variability information was produced from those data. |
| Participating Services | Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | None identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | The mixture was disseminated from a collision atomizer in the Controlled Environmental Mobile Facility (a closed system) at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> (BG) <i>Serratia marcescens</i> (SM) |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i></u> (BG) Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered |

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| | <p>harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, heart valve, bloodstream, and other body sites, but always or nearly always in individuals whose health has already been compromised. Long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely (except perhaps as a complication of the acute infection). (Sources: Tuazon CU, <i>Other Bacillus Species</i> (chap. 197), in <i>Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases</i>, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2220-6; US Environmental Protection Agency, <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> Final Risk Assessment, February 1997, available at http://www.epa.gov as of October 4, 2002.)</p> <p><u><i>Serratia marcescens</i></u> (SM)</p> <p>This bacterial species can cause acute infections of the urinary tract, lung, bloodstream, and other body sites. These infections commonly occur in individuals whose health has already been compromised, and often in patients who are already hospitalized. Long-term or late-developing health effects would be very unlikely. (Source: Eisenstein, Barry I., Zaleznik, Dori F., <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> (chap. 206), in <i>Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases</i>, 5th edition (vol. 2), ed., Mandell GL, Bennett JE, Dolin R, Churchill Livingstone, Philadelphia, 2000, p. 2303.)</p> |
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The objectives of DTC Test 73-30 were to determine viability decay of selected microorganisms impacted on microfilaments and exposed to a spectrum of sunlight conditions, and to obtain general trend information from a limited comparison of biological aerosol decay data using the microfilament and the free-floating aerosol techniques.

The microorganisms selected for determining viability decay in sunlight were *Serratia marcescens*, *T-3 coliphage*, and *Bacillus globigii*. *Serratia marcescens* and *Bacillus globigii* were used to obtain general trend data between the microfilament and free-floating aerosol techniques.

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DTC Test 73-30

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The microfilament technique trials employed the passage of a "charged" aerosol over microfilaments wound on stainless steel frames with a portion of the aerosol particles impacting on the microfilaments. This technique took place in the Controlled Environment Mobile Facility (CEMF). Free-floating aerosol technique trials used an E2 disseminator at the center of the Dugway Proving Ground West Vertical grid.

DTC Test 73-30 was conducted between February and June 1973 in the Controlled Environment Mobile Facility (CEMF) at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah.

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| Test Name | DTC Test 73-30 |
| Testing Organization | Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Dates | February-June 1973 |
| Test Location | Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Operations | The microfilament technique trials: "charged" aerosol particles passed over microfilaments wound on stainless steel frames with a portion of the aerosol particles impacting on the microfilaments. An E2 disseminator at the center of the Dugway Proving Ground West Vertical grid released free-floating aerosol particles. |
| Participating Services | Life Sciences Laboratory personnel, Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | For the conventional aerosols trials an E2 disseminator was used. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <i>Bacillus globigii</i> <i>Serratia marcescens</i> T-3 coliphage |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Not identified |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u><i>Bacillus globigii</i></u> Now considered to be <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> var. <i>niger</i> , a close relative of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> , this bacterial species was used as a simulant and considered harmless to healthy individuals. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and similar <i>Bacillus</i> species are common in the environment, and are uncommon causes of disease. They have been associated with acute infections of the ear, meninges (brain lining), urinary tract, lung, |

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DTC Test 74-10, Phase I

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The purpose of DTC Test 74-10, Phase I was to evaluate and assess the vulnerability of a marine amphibious force in LVTP-7 vehicles when subjected to selected forms of chemical attack. Test objectives were to determine exterior and interior contamination levels on an LVTP-7 exposed to a chemical attack using thickened simulant; to determine vapor contamination level inside a closed LVTP-7 exposed to a simulated Sarin attack and to verify the effectiveness of the M8A3 CPU; to determine the difficulty involved in decontaminating an LVTP-7 after an attack with a methacrylate-thickened material; to determine the effect of amphibious operations on an LVTP-7 contaminated with thickened simulant and VX simulant; to determine the amount of contamination personnel will receive while egressing from a contaminated LVTP-7 in an uncontaminated area; to determine the amount of contamination an LVTP-7 picks up while traversing areas contaminated with VX simulant and thickened Soman simulant; and to determine the effects of thickened simulant on painted surfaces of an LVTP-7.

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DTC TEST 74-10, PHASE I

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Dimethylmethylphosphonate thickened with 2.3 percent polymethyl methacrylate and dyed with 0.5 percent oil red dye was used to simulate thickened Soman. Trichloropropane was used to simulate Sarin, and bis-(2-ethylhexyl)hydrogen phosphite was used to simulate agent VX.

The thickened dimethylmethylphosphonate and later the bis-(2-ethylhexyl)hydrogen phosphite were disseminated using three pneumatic atomization nozzles mounted in a line. For the trial using trichloropropane, two atomizer nozzles connected to a single Tygon tube in a Sigma pump were used.

A variety of decontamination methods were used to clean the LVTP-7 vehicle of dimethylmethylphosphonate. These methods included soap and water; scrubbing with soap and hot water; steam cleaning; a 10 percent solution of monoethanolamine in water with 0.3 percent Van Waters and Rogers 9N9 nonionic surfactant; and hot monoethanolamine. M12A1 power-driven decontamination apparatuses were used to apply the decontamination solution to the LVTP-7. The vehicle was scrubbed with stiff-bristle brushes and brooms.

DTC Test 74-10, Phase I, consisting of nine trials, was conducted in September and October 1973 at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah.

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DTC TEST 74-10, PHASE I
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| Test Name | DTC Test 74-10, Phase I |
| Testing Organization | US Army Deseret Test Center |
| Test Dates | September – October 1973 |
| Test Location | Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Operations | DTC Test 74-10, Phase I consisted of nine trials. Thickened dimethylmethylphosphonate, bis-(2-ethylhexyl)hydrogen phosphite, and trichloropropane were disseminated using pneumatic atomization nozzles to evaluate and assess the vulnerability of a marine amphibious force in LVTP-7 vehicles when subjected to selected forms of chemical attack. |
| Participating Services | US Marine Corps, Deseret Test Center personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Thickened dimethylmethylphosphonate and bis-(2-ethylhexyl)hydrogen phosphite were disseminated using three pneumatic atomization nozzles mounted in a line. For the trial using trichloropropane, two atomizer nozzles connected to a single Tygon tube in a Sigma pump were used |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Dimethylmethylphosphonate bis-(2-ethylhexyl) hydrogen phosphite Trichloropropane |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | Methods included soap and water; scrubbing with soap and hot water; steam cleaning; a 10 percent solution of monoethanolamine in water with 0.3 percent Van Waters and Rogers 9N9 nonionic surfactant; and hot monoethanolamine. M12A1 power-driven decontamination apparatuses were used to apply the decontamination solution |

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| | to the LVTP-7. The vehicle was scrubbed with stiff-bristle brushes and brooms. |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <p><u>Dimethylmethylphosphonate</u> Dimethylmethylphosphonate is used as a flame retardant, a preignition additive for gasoline, an antifoam agent, a plasticizer and stabilizer, a textile conditioner and antistatic agent, and an additive for solvents and low-temperature hydraulic fluids. May be harmful if inhaled, swallowed or absorbed through the skin. It is a suspected carcinogen. (Sources: http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov/hdocs/LT-studies/tr323.html and http://physchem.ox.ac.uk/MSDS/DI/diemthyl_methylphosphonate.html [as of June 5, 2003]).</p> <p><u>bis (2-ethyl-hexyl) hydrogen phosphite</u> This chemical compound used as an additive in industrial lubricants can cause acute irritation of the skin, eyes, and respiratory tract. There is insufficient evidence for or against long-term effects. (Source: NLM TOXNET, bis (2-ethylhexyl) hydrogen phosphite 3658-48-8, HSDB Human Health Effects, available at http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov.)</p> <p><u>Trichloropropane</u> Trichloropropane is a synthetic chemical that is also known as allyl trichloride, glycerol trichlorohydrin, and trichlorohydrin. It is a colorless, heavy liquid with a sweet but strong odor. It evaporates very quickly and small amounts dissolve in water. It is used as an industrial solvent, paint and varnish remover, and cleaning and degreasing agent. Exposure to high levels for a short time causes eye and throat irritation. (Source: http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/facts57.html and http://www.osha-slc.gov/fs/chemicalsmapping/data/CH_273200.html [as of June 5, 2003]).</p> |

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| | <p><u>Polymethyl methacrylate</u> Polymethyl methacrylate is a clear plastic, used as a shatterproof replacement for glass. It is used in the production of Plexiglas® and Lucite®. Polymethyl methacrylate is also found in paint. Acrylic "latex" paints often contain polymethyl methacrylate suspended in water. Polymethyl methacrylate is a vinyl polymer, made by free radical vinyl polymerization from the monomer methyl methacrylate. (Source: http://www.psrc.usm.edu/macrog/pmma.htm [as of June 5, 2003]).</p> <p><u>Monoethanolamine</u> Monoethanolamine is a clear liquid with an ammonia-like smell. It causes eye and skin burns, harmful or fatal if swallowed, may cause dizziness and drowsiness, causes respiratory tract irritation and possibly damage. Chronic exposure to the skin may cause a persistent irritation or dermatitis. Repeated inhalation may cause lung damage. (Source: Material Safety Data Sheet http://www.astrochemicals.com/10129.pdf [as of June 5, 2003]).</p> |
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DTC Test 74-10, Phase II

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The purpose of DTC Test 74-10, Phase II was to assess the performance degradation of a marine wing weapons unit in a simulated toxic agent environment. Test objectives were to measure the comparative task efficiency of a nuclear assembly team (NAT) performing identical tasks under normal and simulated toxic conditions; to provide ground and vapor contamination levels that corresponded to expected levels found in a toxic rain attack; to measure contamination on the bomb dummy unit E6 (BDU-E6) and related equipment to determine if decontamination of the weapon was necessary; to determine whether the NAT contaminated the interior of the short airfield tactical protected shelters (SATS) with agent from contaminated protective clothing; and to determine the extent of loss of dimethylmethylphosphonate through evaporation with time.

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The thickened dimethylmethylphosphonate was disseminated using three pneumatic atomization nozzles mounted in a line.

The decontaminant used was a 10 percent solution of monoethanolamine in water with 0.3 percent Van Waters and Rogers 9N9 nonionic surfactant. One M12A1 power-driven decontamination apparatus was used to apply the decontamination solution to the SATS and the BDU-E6 training weapon.

DTC Test 74-10, Phase II, consisting of seven trials, was conducted in April and May 1974 at Dugway Proving Ground, Utah.

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DTC TEST 74-10, PHASE II

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| Test Name | DTC Test 74-10, Phase II |
| Testing Organization | US Army Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Dates | April – May 1974 |
| Test Location | Dugway Proving Ground, Utah |
| Test Operations | DTC Test 74-10, Phase II consisted of seven trials. Thickened dimethylmethylphosphonate was disseminated using three pneumatic atomization nozzles mounted in a line. |
| Participating Services | US Army Dugway Proving Ground and US Marine Corps personnel |
| Units and Ships Involved | Not identified |
| Dissemination Procedures | Thickened dimethylmethylphosphonate was disseminated using three pneumatic atomization nozzles mounted in a line. |
| Agents, Simulants, Tracers | Dimethylmethylphosphonate Polymethylmethacrylate |
| Ancillary Testing | Not identified |
| Decontamination | One M12A1 power-driven decontamination apparatus (PDDA) was used to apply the monoethanolamine decontamination solution to the SATS and the BDU-E6 training weapon. |
| Potential Health Risks Associated with Agents, Simulants, Tracers | <u>Dimethylmethylphosphonate</u> Dimethylmethylphosphonate is used as a flame retardant, a preignition additive for gasoline, an antifoam agent, a plasticizer and stabilizer, a textile conditioner and antistatic agent, and an additive for solvents and low-temperature hydraulic fluids. May be harmful if inhaled, swallowed or absorbed through the skin. It is a suspected carcinogen. (Sources: http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov/htdocs/LT-studies/ |

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| | <p>tr323.html and http://physchem.ox.ac.uk/MSDS/DI/diemthyl_methylphosphonate.html [as of June 5, 2003]].</p> <p><u>Polymethyl methacrylate</u> Polymethyl methacrylate is a clear plastic, used as a shatterproof replacement for glass. It is used in the production of Plexiglas® and Lucite®. Polymethyl methacrylate is also found in paint. Acrylic "latex" paints often contain polymethyl methacrylate suspended in water. Polymethyl methacrylate is a vinyl polymer, made by free radical vinyl polymerization from the monomer methyl methacrylate. (Source: http://www.psrc.usm.edu/macrog/pmma.htm [as of June 5, 2003]).</p> <p><u>Monoethanolamine</u> Monoethanolamine is a clear liquid with an ammonia-like smell. It causes eye and skin burns, harmful or fatal if swallowed, may cause dizziness and drowsiness, causes respiratory tract irritation and possibly damage. Chronic exposure to the skin may cause a persistent irritation or dermatitis. Repeated inhalation may cause lung damage. (Source: Material Safety Data Sheet http://www.astrochemicals.com/10129.pdf [as of June 5, 2003]).</p> |
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Cancellation Analysis

DTC Test 68-14, Channel Crab

Channel Crab was originally planned as a live agent test, using both CS and sarin, to determine the effectiveness of CW agents in the sea-land interface in temperate fog.¹ It was originally prioritized as 10th of 16 planned FY 68 tests in September 1966.² There is no further mention of the test in later DTC reports. However, in April 1972, this same test objective was listed in official documentation as satisfied by Study 71-112 and Test 69-33, Phase I.^{3,4} The test is therefore presumed to have been cancelled.

¹ Supplement 2 to the Outline Plans for Testing in FY 68, Jan 67, p. 17.

² Summary Report of Fifth Annual Deseret Test Center Planning Conference, 23 Sep 66, pp. 4, 10-11.

³ Report of the Tenth Annual DTC CINCS/Services Coordination Conference, 18-19 Apr 72, pp. III-2 and III-3.

⁴ DHSD investigators previously determined reported that DTC Test 69-33 was cancelled. Interview of the test's test officer on 19 March 2003 revealed that a "shake-out" cruise was conducted for that test off the coast of Eureka, CA in November 1969. With President Nixon's renunciation of the US biological weapons program on 25 November 1969, the test was suspended and no formal test report was published. This reference to Test 69-33, Phase I is to unpublished notes.

Cancellation Analysis

DTC Test 69-74, Prairie Carpet

Originally, data to be gathered in the execution from Prairie Carpet was considered essential in the execution of a later planned test, DTC Test 70-74.¹ Delays in executing Prairie Carpet subsequently delayed the execution of DTC Test 70-74.² Documentation from a year later indicates that the microthread technology was tested at Fort Detrick under the 69-74 number and that a preliminary report was published in September 1969.³ Efforts to locate this report have been unsuccessful, however the microthread technique is the method used to conduct DTC Test 70-74.⁴ It is an enclosed method. Prairie Carpet is therefore presumed to have been conducted not as largescale test, but rather as a laboratory test and thus is listed as cancelled.

¹ Proposed DTC FY 70 Test Plans, Sep 68, p. 161.

² Summary Report of the Proceedings of the Eighth Annual Deseret Test Center Planning Conference, 3 Jul 69, pp. 3.

³ Annual Status Report of Joint Operational Activities, Deseret Test Center, Jul 70, p. 30.

⁴ See DTC Test 70-74 Fact Sheets

Cancellation Analysis

DTC Test 70-D

In 1968 the North American Air Defense Command (NORAD) submitted a requirement to the Deseret Test Center to "determine the effectiveness of disseminating pathogenic microorganisms in either dry or wet form from a single or multiple line source at altitudes of 20-50 thousand feet in low temperatures".¹ The requirement was based on NORAD observations of Soviet bomber aircraft with heated bomb bays making flights at altitudes of 20,000 to 50,000 feet approximately 300 miles off the west coast of North America. Primary consideration was given to the vulnerability of the North American continent to a biological attack originating 300 miles off the west coast at high altitude.² Two contractors, each well-noted in the field of diffusion meteorology, analyzed the effectiveness of disseminating pathogenic microorganisms at high altitude. The results were subjected to a critical in-house analysis by the Deseret Test Center.³ Analysis led a consensus judgement that a high altitude release of biological warfare materials would pose no significant or predictable threat.⁴ It was further concluded that additional research to refine this position would be of little value.⁵ No actual high altitude release of biological simulant was conducted and NORAD's requirement was considered closed.

¹ Letter, North American Air Defense Command, Ent AFB, CO, 19 June 1968, subject: NORAD Chemical Test Requirements (U).

² High Altitude Release, Special Study in Support of DTC Test 70-D, August 1972, p.1-1.

³ High Altitude Release, Special Study in Support of DTC Test 70-D, August 1972, p.iii.

⁴ High Altitude Release, Special Study in Support of DTC Test 70-D, August 1972, p.iii.

⁵ High Altitude Release, Special Study in Support of DTC Test 70-D, August 1972, p.1-1.

Cancellation Analysis

DTC Tests 71-10, 71-11, 71-12, 71-13, 71-30, 71-31, 71-32, 71-33, 71-34, 71-35 and 71-70

DTC Tests 71-10, 71-11, 71-12, 71-13, 71-30, 71-31, 71-32, 71-33, 71-34, 71-35 and 71-70 were last mentioned in DTC planning documentation in March 1969.¹ The last seven tests were biological tests and would have been impacted by President Nixon's renunciation of the US biological weapons program on November 25, 1969. In late June 1971, in opening remarks at DTC's next annual planning conference (held over two years later), Commanding General, BG Etkin noted that the command's activities had decreased from seven "safari" tests conducted in FY 69 to just one joint test in FY 71.² Until 1976, fiscal years ran from 1 July of the previous year to 30 June of the fiscal year. BG Etkin therefore made his statement in the waning days of FY 71. DTC Test 70-73 was conducted from July through December 1970, at the beginning of FY 71, and is thus the one joint test conducted that fiscal year. DTC Tests 71-10, 71-11, 71-12, 71-13, 71-30, 71-31, 71-32, 71-33, 71-34, 71-35 and 71-70 are therefore presumed to have been cancelled.

¹ Summary Report of the Proceedings of the Eighth Annual Deseret Test Center Planning Conference, 3 Jul 69, Appendix 4.

² Report of the Ninth Annual DTC CINC/Services CB Coordination Conference, 22-24 June 1971, p. 1.

Cancellation Analysis

DTC Test 71-75

DTC Test 71-75 was designed to evaluate the integrity of the chemical and biological defense systems of several critical CONUS national security sites. Originally planned as part of the FY 71 testing program, it was carried over to the FY 72 program.¹ This is confirmed by the test's listing as the method of satisfying requirements CO-6 and SA-1 in a June 1971 planning document.² By March 1972, these requirements are listed in FY 74 planning documents as having been satisfied by two phases of study 71-160.³ DTC Test 71-75 is therefore presumed to have been cancelled.

¹ DTC Program for FY 72, Mar 71, p. 9.

² Report of the Ninth Annual DTC CINCS/Services CB Coordination Conference, 22-24 June 1971, pp. 3-10 and 3-12.

³ Deseret Test Center Outline Plans for FY 74, Mar 72, pp. 102 and 108.

CANCELLATION ANALYSIS

DTC Test 72-30 (SHAD)

DTC Test 72-30 was designed to gather data to further characterize biological aerosol diffusion in a marine environment.¹ As of the end of calendar year 1972, the test, also known under the revised research and development program as T400N, had been deferred pending approval from "higher headquarters."² Conduct of this test would have also required reconstitution of a testing fleet since the USS Granville S. Hall (YAG-40) had been sold by the Marine Administration on 31 Jan 72. The Deseret Test Center, headquartered at Fort Douglas, Utah, closed in 1973, before DTC Test 72-30 could be conducted; the test is therefore presumed to have been cancelled.

¹ Deseret Test Center Outline Planes for FY 75, Feb 73, p. 7.

² Semiannual Status report, 1 Jul - 31 Dec 72, Deseret Test Center, Jan 73, p. 4.

Cancellation Analysis

DTC Test 72-70 (SHAD)

DTC Test 72-70 was designed to determine the vulnerability of coastal targets to offshore biological attack.¹ As of the end of calendar year 1972, the test, also known under the revised research and development program as T405N, had been deferred pending approval from "higher headquarters."² It is unclear whether conduct of this test would have required reconstitution of at least a portion of the previous Project SHAD fleet. Such an effort would have been hampered by the Marine Administration's 31 Jan 72 sale of the USS Granville S. Hall (YAG-40). The Deseret Test Center, headquartered at Fort Douglas, Utah, closed in 1973, before DTC Test 72-70 could be conducted; the test is therefore presumed to have been cancelled.

¹ Deseret Test Center Outline Planes for FY 75, Feb 73, p. 7.

² Semiannual Status report, 1 Jul - 31 Dec 72, Deseret Test Center, Jan 73, p. 4.

Cancellation Analysis

DTC Test 73-11

DTC Test 73-11 was designed in response to Air Force and Pacific Command requirements, AF-6 and PA-11, to validate procedures for emergency destruction of MC-1 and TMU/28/B weapons. According to DTC FY 74 planning documentation, DTC Test 73-11 was projected to address these requirements in FY 73.¹ FY 75 planning documentation pushed this to FY 74. There was also a parenthetical notation that DTC Test 73-11 fell under the revised research and development program I110F that included emergency weapons disposal.² The Deseret Test Center, headquartered at Fort Douglas, Utah, closed in 1973, before DTC Test 73-11 could be conducted; the test is therefore presumed to have been cancelled.

¹ Deseret Test Center Outline Plans for FY 74, Mar 72, pp. 100 and 107.

² Deseret Test Center Outline Plans for FY 75, Feb 73, pp. 34 and 40.

Cancellation Analysis

DTC Test 73-12

DTC Test 73-12 was designed in response to a Pacific Command requirement to determine the effectiveness of air delivered flame weapons, such as flame drum drops or napalm, to clear mine fields and booby traps.¹ In March 1972, the test was still listed as planned for execution in FY 73 to fulfill requirement PA-10.² The following month, there was discussion at the annual DTC planning conference that work already being done at the US Army Mobility Equipment Research and Design Center at Fort Belvoir, VA with the CBU-55 might satisfy the requirement.³ Less than a year later, plans for FY 75 do not mention DTC Test 73-12, but do indicate that requirement PA-10 has been satisfied by "the forthcoming MERDC CBU-55 Testing Report."^{4,5} Test 73-12 is therefore presumed to have been cancelled.

¹ Deseret Test Center Requirements and Proposed Program for FY73, Oct 71, p. 47.

² Deseret Test Center Outline Plans for FY74, Mar 72, p. 10.

³ Report of the Tenth Annual DTC CINCS/Services CB Coordination Conference, 18-19 Apr 1972, p. 14.

⁴ Deseret Test Center Outline Plans for FY75, Feb 73, p. 40.

⁵ This test was documented in MERDC Test Report 2056, DTIC Accession Number AD0524999, 1 Mar 73.

Cancellation Analysis

DTC Test 74-030

DTC Test 74-030 was designed in response to Army and Navy requirements, AR-6 and NA-5, to determine biological effects in a variety of environments. Initial FY 74 planning documentation indicated that it would be executed in FY 74 as a follow-on to DTC Test 70-74.¹ FY 75 planning documentation added the parenthetical notation that DTC Test 74-030 fell under the revised research and development program T410A that included effects of environmental factors on biological decay. It further indicated that work would continue into FY 75.² The Deseret Test Center, headquartered at Fort Douglas, Utah, closed in 1973, before DTC Test 74-030 could be conducted; the test is therefore presumed to have been cancelled.

¹ Deseret Test Center Outline Plans for FY 74, Mar 72, pp. 95 and 97.

² Deseret Test Center Outline Plans for FY 75, Feb 73, pp. 30 and 32.